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# Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics.

## AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area—Square Miles.	Population (Excluding full-blood Aborigines).						
		Census—30th June, 1954.(a)			Estimate—31st December, 1954.			Capital Cities, 30th June, 1954.(a)
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. ..	309,433	1,720,950	1,702,768	3,423,718	1,738,475	1,724,027	3,462,502	1,863,217
Victoria ..	87,884	1,230,969	1,221,368	2,452,337	1,246,461	1,234,412	2,480,873	1,524,062
Q'land ..	670,500	676,451	641,942	1,318,393	679,211	643,675	1,322,886	502,353
S. Aust...	380,070	403,978	393,181	797,159	409,933	398,375	808,308	483,535
W. Aust.	975,920	330,339	309,377	639,716	334,867	314,493	649,360	348,596
Tasmania	26,215	157,123	151,660	308,783	162,795	156,747	319,542	95,223
N. Terr...	523,620	10,281	6,171	16,452	9,967	6,156	16,123	8,071
A.C.T. ..	939	16,229	14,086	30,315	16,502	14,642	31,144	28,277
Australia	2,974,581	4,546,320	4,440,553	8,986,873	4,598,211	4,492,527	9,090,738	4,853,334

(a) Preliminary Count.

### ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AT 30TH JUNE.									
1939	2,748,393	1,878,480	1,018,007	596,563	470,044	237,419	6,281	12,567	6,967,754
1951a	3,278,898	2,276,694	1,227,776	732,470	580,317	286,209	15,601	24,009	8,421,974
1952a	3,340,177	2,344,585	1,259,572	755,102	599,823	296,321	15,453	25,678	8,636,711
1953a	3,384,242	2,395,300	1,291,526	775,841	620,501	304,107	15,839	28,304	8,815,660
1954b	3,423,718	2,452,337	1,318,393	797,159	639,716	308,783	16,452	30,315	8,986,873
AT 31ST DECEMBER.									
1938	2,737,191	1,871,099	1,005,523	595,842	466,684	242,119	5,730	11,721	6,935,909
1951a	3,315,528	2,299,653	1,238,362	743,828	590,307	301,805	14,605	24,041	8,528,129
1952a	3,368,572	2,366,791	1,271,362	768,624	612,895	309,583	14,758	27,262	8,739,847
1953a	3,409,334	2,416,054	1,298,543	785,728	631,692	316,495	15,619	29,543	8,903,008
1954	3,462,502	2,480,873	1,322,886	808,308	649,360	319,542	16,123	31,144	9,090,738

(a) Revised in accordance with the preliminary results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

(b) Preliminary Census results.

### ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.									
1939	2,735,400	1,872,287	1,008,207	595,131	466,896	237,637	5,932	11,965	6,933,455
1951a	3,239,159	2,242,986	1,207,260	721,880	570,323	283,540	14,820	23,245	8,303,213
1952a	3,312,685	2,309,822	1,239,952	743,356	589,855	293,358	15,121	24,704	8,528,853
1953a	3,366,944	2,372,437	1,272,350	766,592	611,150	302,553	15,229	27,209	8,734,464
1954	3,405,735	2,422,858	1,300,590	786,043	630,655	309,445	15,914	29,425	8,900,665
YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER.									
1938	2,722,378	1,865,251	1,001,996	593,242	463,808	236,328	5,804	11,534	6,900,341
1951a	3,280,270	2,276,391	1,223,794	732,577	580,239	288,310	15,170	23,787	8,420,588
1952a	3,342,198	2,343,704	1,255,991	755,090	600,580	298,381	15,077	25,888	8,636,909
1953a	3,387,009	2,395,895	1,287,347	776,414	620,988	306,345	15,520	28,383	8,817,901
1954	3,428,710	2,453,461	1,313,187	796,426	640,086	311,159	16,197	30,340	8,989,566

(a) Revised in accordance with the preliminary results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

## INCREASE OF POPULATION.

State or Territory.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).					
New South Wales .. .. .	40,627	40,137	42,158	43,183	40,681
Victoria .. .. .	27,489	27,107	30,416	30,911	32,106
Queensland .. .. .	18,629	18,547	19,782	19,776	19,832
South Australia .. .. .	10,566	10,279	10,834	11,194	11,048
Western Australia .. .. .	9,176	9,506	10,204	10,790	10,564
Tasmania .. .. .	4,776	4,790	5,337	5,185	5,074
Northern Territory .. .. .	315	290	359	344	407
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	832	854	963	664	739
<b>Australia .. .. .</b>	<b>112,404</b>	<b>111,510</b>	<b>120,053</b>	<b>122,047</b>	<b>120,451</b>
NET MIGRATION (EXCESS OF ARRIVALS OVER DEPARTURES).					
	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	
New South Wales .. .. .	58,399	41,010	18,043	4,578	15,977
Victoria .. .. .	39,255	39,498	35,053	16,346	31,764
Queensland .. .. .	14,581	12,418	11,310	5,480	3,544
South Australia .. .. .	13,571	7,547	10,865	2,791	9,968
Western Australia .. .. .	19,686	8,425	12,677	8,258	7,228
Tasmania .. .. .	5,376	7,827	3,604	2,888	1,448
Northern Territory .. .. .	967	105	2	718	201
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	670	603	2,482	1,838	973
<b>Australia .. .. .</b>	<b>152,505</b>	<b>111,433</b>	<b>94,032</b>	<b>42,897</b>	<b>68,207</b>
TOTAL INCREASE.(b)					
New South Wales .. .. .	91,469	73,718	53,044	40,762	53,168
Victoria .. .. .	68,335	62,366	67,138	49,263	64,819
Queensland .. .. .	35,118	32,878	33,000	27,181	24,343
South Australia .. .. .	27,233	20,950	24,796	17,104	22,580
Western Australia .. .. .	28,440	17,681	22,588	18,797	17,668
Tasmania .. .. .	8,994	11,459	7,778	6,912	3,047
Northern Territory .. .. .	1,080	192	153	861	504
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	1,281	1,233	3,221	2,281	1,601
<b>Australia .. .. .</b>	<b>261,970</b>	<b>220,477</b>	<b>211,718</b>	<b>163,161</b>	<b>187,730</b>

(a) Revised after preliminary results of 1954 Census. (b) Includes natural increase and net migration together with adjustments for differences disclosed by preliminary results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

## POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS—SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase. (a)	Net Migration. (b)	Total Increase. (c)	Population at end of Period.
Year—							
1938 .. .. .	62,411	120,415	66,451	53,964	9,137	64,417	6,935,909
1943 .. .. .	67,673	149,295	74,486	74,809	1,271	68,562	7,269,658
1944 .. .. .	68,201	153,344	69,596	83,748	— 2,183	77,366	7,347,024
1945 .. .. .	62,822	160,560	70,231	90,329	— 2,629	83,173	7,430,197
1946 .. .. .	79,466	176,379	74,661	101,718	— 15,148	87,784	7,517,981
1947 .. .. .	76,467	182,384	73,468	108,916	10,611	119,995	7,637,976
1948 .. .. .	74,002	177,976	76,839	101,137	55,115	154,538	7,792,514
1949 .. .. .	72,999	181,261	75,260	106,001	150,001	253,168	7,804,682
1950 .. .. .	75,599	190,591	78,187	112,404	152,505	261,970	7,830,652
1951 .. .. .	77,298	193,298	81,788	111,510	111,433	220,477	7,852,129
1952 .. .. .	74,172	201,650	81,597	120,053	94,032	211,718	7,873,847
1953 .. .. .	70,640	202,235	80,188	122,047	42,897	163,161	7,890,008
1954 .. .. .	71,229	202,256	81,805	120,451	68,207	187,730	7,909,738
Quarter ended—							
31st December, 1953 .. .. .	19,631	50,760	20,225	30,535	20,200	50,190	7,890,008
31st March, 1954 .. .. .	17,868	49,709	17,367	32,342	12,175	44,031	7,914,039
30th June, 1954 .. .. .	18,600	50,613	20,677	29,936	10,340	39,834	7,933,873
30th September, 1954 .. .. .	15,097	50,772	24,670	26,102	16,809	42,911	7,959,784
31st December, 1954 .. .. .	19,664	51,162	19,091	32,071	28,883	60,954	7,990,738

(a) Excess of births over deaths. For the period January, 1943, to June, 1947, excess of births over deaths only. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals. Excludes troop movements for the period January, 1943, to June, 1947.

(c) Includes natural increase and net migration together with adjustments for deaths of defence personnel and differences disclosed by the Censuses of 30th June, 1947 and 1954. (d) Adjusted in accordance with the preliminary results of the 1954 Census.

## MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

State or Territory.	Marriages.	Births.			Deaths.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
QUARTER ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.							
New South Wales	7,443	9,216	8,853	18,069	4,228	3,197	7,425
Victoria.. ..	5,749	7,324	6,858	14,182	2,928	2,364	5,292
Queensland ..	2,685	3,889	3,642	7,531	1,575	1,066	2,641
South Australia ..	1,631	2,455	2,374	4,829	920	803	1,723
Western Australia	1,359	2,106	2,088	4,194	804	539	1,343
Tasmania ..	678	1,020	987	2,007	325	280	605
Northern Territory	44	66	59	125	26	3	29
Australian Capital Territory ..	75	112	113	225	22	11	33
Australia ..	19,664	26,188	24,974	51,162	10,828	8,263	19,091

## YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.

New South Wales	27,503	37,453	35,672	73,125	18,256	14,188	32,444
Victoria.. ..	19,404	28,112	26,548	54,660	12,162	10,392	22,554
Queensland ..	10,027	15,880	15,296	31,176	6,621	4,723	11,344
South Australia ..	6,190	9,347	8,880	18,227	3,892	3,287	7,179
Western Australia	5,204	8,136	7,792	15,928	3,203	2,161	5,364
Tasmania ..	2,512	3,919	3,851	7,770	1,493	1,203	2,696
Northern Territory	143	268	245	513	90	16	106
Australian Capital Territory ..	246	440	417	857	70	48	118
Australia ..	71,229	103,555	98,701	202,256	45,787	36,018	81,805

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
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## MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales	24,579	30,341	29,351	27,573	27,503
Victoria ..	17,113	21,117	20,220	19,238	19,404
Queensland ..	8,853	10,814	10,056	9,859	10,027
South Australia ..	5,489	6,646	6,241	6,149	6,190
Western Australia	4,153	5,390	5,389	5,032	5,204
Tasmania ..	2,082	2,607	2,553	2,424	2,512
Northern Territory	67	143	137	154	143
Australian Capital Territory	75	240	225	211	246
Australia ..	62,411	77,298	74,172	70,640	71,229

DIVORCES (INCLUDING NULLITIES OF MARRIAGE).—Australia—1938, 3,100; 1950, 7,414; 1951, 7,320; 1952, 7,095; 1953, 8,031; 1954, New South Wales 2 844; Victoria, 1,539; Queensland, 714; South Australia, 598; Western Australia, 532; Tasmania, 237; Northern Territory, 20; Australian Capital Territory, 33; Australia, 6,517.



Marriages, Births and Deaths—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
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## MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.(a)

New South Wales ..	9.03	9.25	8.78	8.14	8.02
Victoria ..	9.17	9.28	8.63	8.03	7.91
Queensland ..	8.84	8.84	8.01	7.66	7.64
South Australia ..	9.25	9.07	8.27	7.92	7.77
Western Australia ..	8.95	9.29	8.97	8.10	8.13
Tasmania ..	8.81	9.04	8.56	7.91	8.07
Northern Territory ..	11.54	9.43	9.09	9.92	8.83
Australian Capital Territory	6.50	10.09	8.69	7.43	8.11
Australia ..	9.04	9.18	8.59	8.01	7.92

## BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	47,319	72,069	74,196	74,890	73,125
Victoria ..	30,344	50,553	53,738	53,561	54,660
Queensland ..	18,992	29,652	30,953	30,782	31,176
South Australia ..	9,410	17,463	17,884	18,156	18,227
Western Australia ..	9,141	14,794	15,413	15,862	15,928
Tasmania ..	4,907	7,357	7,916	7,736	7,770
Northern Territory ..	102	407	448	460	513
Australian Capital Territory	200	1,003	1,102	788	857
Australia ..	120,415	193,298	201,650	202,235	202,256

## BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.(a)

New South Wales ..	17.38	21.97	22.20	22.11	21.33
Victoria ..	16.27	22.21	22.93	22.36	22.28
Queensland ..	18.95	24.23	24.64	23.91	23.74
South Australia ..	15.86	23.84	23.68	23.38	22.89
Western Australia ..	19.71	25.49	25.66	25.54	24.88
Tasmania ..	20.76	25.52	26.53	25.25	24.97
Northern Territory ..	17.57	26.83	29.71	29.64	31.67
Australian Capital Territory	(b) 17.34	(b) 42.17	(b) 42.57	27.76	28.25
Australia ..	17.45	22.96	23.35	22.93	22.50

## DEATHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	26,105	31,932	32,038	31,707	32,444
Victoria ..	18,955	23,446	23,322	22,650	22,554
Queensland ..	9,201	11,105	11,171	11,006	11,344
South Australia ..	5,539	7,184	7,050	6,962	7,179
Western Australia ..	4,234	5,288	5,209	5,072	5,364
Tasmania ..	2,288	2,567	2,579	2,551	2,696
Northern Territory ..	69	117	89	116	106
Australian Capital Territory	60	149	139	124	118
Australia ..	66,451	81,788	81,597	80,188	81,805

(a) Adjusted in accordance with the preliminary results of the 1954 Census. (b) As in the States and the Northern Territory, the rates shown are based on birth registrations. Prior to the provision late in 1952 of maternity accommodation in Queanbeyan, births registered in Canberra for the years 1938, 1951 and 1952 included many to mothers from Queanbeyan and surrounding areas. Rates based on the number of births to mothers resident in the Australian Capital Territory for these years are as follows:—1938, 15.43, 1951, 29.55, 1952, 31.91.



## Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.(a)					
New South Wales .. .. .	9.50	9.73	9.59	9.36	9.46
Victoria .. .. .	10.16	10.30	9.95	9.45	9.19
Queensland .. .. .	9.18	9.07	8.89	8.55	8.64
South Australia .. .. .	9.34	9.81	9.34	8.97	9.01
Western Australia .. .. .	9.13	9.11	8.67	8.17	8.38
Tasmania .. .. .	9.68	8.90	8.64	8.33	8.66
Northern Territory .. .. .	11.89	7.71	5.90	7.47	6.54
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	5.20	6.26	5.37	4.37	3.89
Australia .. .. .	9.63	9.71	9.45	9.09	9.10

## DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.

New South Wales .. .. .	1,980	1,895	1,818	1,846	1,849
Victoria .. .. .	1,038	1,143	1,198	1,133	1,055
Queensland .. .. .	784	761	772	769	695
South Australia .. .. .	287	428	413	375	388
Western Australia .. .. .	309	425	384	378	359
Tasmania .. .. .	195	196	172	177	186
Northern Territory .. .. .	6	18	14	18	9
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	8	12	26	17	4
Australia .. .. .	4,607	4,878	4,797	4,713	4,545

## INFANT MORTALITY—RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS.

New South Wales .. .. .	41.84	26.29	24.50	24.65	25.29
Victoria .. .. .	34.21	22.61	22.29	21.15	19.30
Queensland .. .. .	41.28	25.66	24.94	24.98	22.29
South Australia .. .. .	30.50	24.51	23.09	20.65	21.29
Western Australia .. .. .	33.80	28.73	24.91	23.83	22.54
Tasmania .. .. .	39.74	26.64	21.73	22.88	23.94
Northern Territory .. .. .	58.82	44.23	31.25	39.13	17.54
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	40.00	11.96	23.59	21.57	4.67
Australia .. .. .	38.26	25.24	23.79	23.30	22.47

(a) Adjusted in accordance with the preliminary results of the 1954 Census.

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Figures to 30th June, 1933, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census. Figures from 1st July, 1933, are as recorded.

Period.	Total Arrivals.			Total Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25..	289,695	188,357	478,052	172,236	122,550	294,786	183,266
1926-30..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,336	147,437	340,773	129,707
1931-35..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,833	115,326	250,209	-10,886
1936-40(a)	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45(a)	35,422	28,593	63,925	30,097	26,019	56,116	7,809
1946-50(a)	398,507	303,413	701,920	180,779	168,057	348,836	353,084
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,585	68,791	9,137
1949 ..	132,648	10,487	233,135	42,705	40,429	83,134	150,001
1950 ..	141,891	108,513	250,404	49,907	47,992	97,899	152,505
1951 ..	122,136	91,504	213,640	5,521	47,686	102,207	111,433
1952 ..	127,516	88,323	215,839	68,937	52,870	121,807	94,032
1953 ..	88,584	74,541	163,125	68,483	51,745	120,228	42,897
1954 ..	109,601	88,424	198,025	72,073	57,745	129,818	68,207

(a) Excludes troop movements September, 1939, to June, 1947.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

**MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.****Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently  
Classified according to Nationality.**

Nationality.	Permanent New Arrivals.(a)			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.(a)		
	Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
British(b) .. ..	12,426	34,862	44,749	6,840	27,078	29,764
Foreign—						
American (U.S.) ..	318	1,036	1,339	182	554	714
Austrian .. ..	637	313	1,429	15	54	49
Belgian .. ..	20	53	58	3	14	20
Chinese .. ..	48	454	331	36	124	162
Czechoslovak .. ..	11	62	59	25	60	80
Danish .. ..	22	79	94	18	58	48
Dutch .. ..	4,308	9,374	11,340	259	727	963
Estonian .. ..	2	25	3	12	16	56
French .. ..	74	273	302	49	247	240
German .. ..	4,127	7,924	12,979	133	393	507
Greek .. ..	4,321	2,952	9,968	23	147	156
Hungarian .. ..	33	70	77	12	48	64
Israeli .. ..	59	239	380	2	11	12
Italian .. ..	3,285	13,804	15,979	302	1,665	1,433
Japanese .. ..	44	312	174	6	2	17
Latvian .. ..	2	58	34	10	37	59
Lebanese .. ..	107	91	357	2	39	35
Lithuanian .. ..	..	17	10	11	42	73
Norwegian .. ..	20	52	41	15	71	111
Polish(c) .. ..	35	236	100	25	104	132
Russian(d) .. ..	38	472	254	7	68	79
Swedish .. ..	14	56	42	13	34	36
Swiss .. ..	50	180	157	25	95	96
Ukrainian .. ..	2	47	11	20	17	57
Yugoslav .. ..	186	564	685	13	65	91
Stateless .. ..	934	805	2,575	36	125	216
Other .. ..	108	505	487	34	137	179
Total .. ..	31,231	74,915	104,014	8,128	32,032	35,449

(a) "Permanent" means residence for one year or longer (in Australia in the case of arrivals; abroad in the case of departures) except in the case of Australian troops, who are classified as "temporary" irrespective of their length of stay. (b) "Irish" nationality has been combined with "British" for the purpose of this table. (c) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Polish. (d) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Russian.

**Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently  
Classified according to Racial Origin.**

Racial Origin.	Permanent New Arrivals.(a)			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.(a)		
	Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
European .. ..	30,980	72,801	102,265	7,985	31,549	34,829
Asian .. ..	230	2,057	1,623	133	464	593
African .. ..	6	13	42	..	4	7
Polynesian .. ..	15	44	84	10	15	20
Total .. ..	31,231	74,915	104,014	8,128	32,032	35,449

(a) See note (a) above.

## MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures.(a)	Permanent New Arrivals.			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.		
	Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
<b>British—</b>						
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	6,913	25,767	28,793	4,046	14,282	16,814
Canada .. ..	303	386	735	235	773	1,252
Cyprus .. ..	147	165	522	26	88	96
India, Ceylon and Pakistan	252	821	791	127	462	464
Malta .. ..	2,766	1,419	6,198	31	386	158
New Guinea .. ..	167	524	681	412	1,845	2,039
New Zealand .. ..	618	1,817	2,628	823	4,526	3,615
Papua .. ..	129	276	412	268	938	1,140
Union of South Africa ..	62	292	282	40	279	235
Other .. ..	474	2,305	2,267	431	1,716	1,796
<b>Total, British Countries</b>	<b>11,831</b>	<b>33,772</b>	<b>43,309</b>	<b>6,439</b>	<b>25,295</b>	<b>27,609</b>
<b>Foreign—</b>						
Austria .. ..	672	384	1,643	11	41	37
France .. ..	82	316	317	80	350	411
Germany .. ..	4,149	8,254	13,074	99	325	447
Greece .. ..	4,249	2,676	9,685	61	139	228
Italy .. ..	3,512	14,677	15,876	496	2,485	2,510
Netherlands .. ..	4,260	9,227	11,098	199	596	764
Poland .. ..	12	43	23	..	2	1
Yugoslavia .. ..	100	476	494	5	34	52
Other European .. ..	1,066	744	3,399	85	367	432
China .. ..	56	562	352	17	36	83
Indonesia .. ..	107	250	350	35	153	163
Egypt .. ..	274	727	961	5	85	55
United States of America ..	480	1,421	1,771	444	1,384	1,887
Polynesian Islands .. ..	41	133	161	48	219	267
Other .. ..	340	1,253	1,501	104	521	503
<b>Total, Foreign Countries</b>	<b>19,400</b>	<b>41,143</b>	<b>60,705</b>	<b>1,689</b>	<b>6,737</b>	<b>7,840</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL ..</b>	<b>31,231</b>	<b>74,915</b>	<b>104,014</b>	<b>8,128</b>	<b>32,032</b>	<b>35,449</b>

(a) "Permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer except in the case of Australian troops, who are included under "Australia" (see following table) as regards both country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—*continued.*

Temporary Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures.(a)	Australian Residents Returning and Temporary Visitors Arriving.			Australian Residents Departing Temporarily and Temporary Visitors Departing.		
	Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—		Quarter ended December, 1954.	Year ended December—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
Australia.. ..	15 097	42,695	44,944	10,337	39,946	45,701
Other British—						
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	2,518	8,994	7,914	2,288	7,717	8,699
Canada .. ..	171	397	478	99	503	518
India, Ceylon and Pakistan ..	421	1,413	1,410	300	1,066	1,117
New Guinea .. ..	876	2,645	2,793	694	2,303	2,437
New Zealand .. ..	5,222	16,525	18,899	5,422	20,533	19,580
Papua .. ..	762	2,123	2,420	424	1,551	1,880
Union of South Africa ..	107	568	458	80	547	443
Other .. ..	1,434	4,544	5,135	1,498	5,033	4,964
Total, Other British Countries .. ..	11,511	37,209	39,507	10,805	39,258	39,638
Foreign—						
France.. ..	84	291	353	89	403	408
Germany .. ..	65	190	233	65	181	221
Greece .. ..	10	28	56	16	46	47
Italy .. ..	52	203	167	67	393	253
Netherlands .. ..	145	359	389	130	409	488
Yugoslavia .. ..	7	23	29	2	12	9
Other European .. ..	172	719	617	157	542	606
China .. ..	18	129	64	12	51	75
Indonesia .. ..	156	443	542	145	439	515
Egypt .. ..	17	77	59	17	71	60
United States of America..	1,165	2,876	3,673	913	3,295	3,728
Polynesian Islands .. ..	351	1,102	1,293	266	1,134	1,130
Other .. ..	423	1,866	2,085	472	2,016	1,490
Total, Foreign Countries .. ..	2,665	8,306	9,560	2,351	8,992	9,030
GRAND TOTAL .. ..	29,273	88,210	94,011	23,493	88,196	94,369

(a) "Permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer except in the case of Australian troops, who are included under "Australia" as regards both country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence.



## Section II.—Production.

## PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.

## WHEAT FOR GRAIN: AREA, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AREA.								
('000 Acres.)								
1938-39..	4,651	2,748	442	3,080	3,413	10	2	14,346
1950-51..	3,329	2,735	559	1,848	3,185	5	2	11,663
1951-52..	2,753	2,464	454	1,613	3,095	4	1	10,384
1952-53..	2,702	2,232	724	1,544	2,999	7	1	10,208
1953-54..	3,357	2,389	580	1,528	2,885	10	2	10,751
1954-55(a)	2,780	2,400	700	1,610	3,000	8	1	10,499

PRODUCTION.								
('000 Bushels.)								
1938-39..	59,898	18,104	8,584	31,675	36,844	205	59	155,369
1950-51..	43,273	51,236	8,785	30,936	49,900	95	19	184,244
1951-52..	39,689	45,995	6,632	27,301	40,000	94	14	159,725
1952-53..	56,670	50,335	18,662	33,919	35,458	156	8	195,208
1953-54..	63,681	53,698	10,180	30,409	39,700	263	29	197,960
1954-55(a)	37,500	48,000	16,000	31,000	34,000	100	10	166,610

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.								
(Bushels.)								
1938-39..	12.9	6.6	19.4	10.3	10.8	20.8	28.7	10.8
1950-51..	13.0	18.7	15.7	16.7	15.7	17.8	10.1	15.8
1951-52..	14.4	18.7	14.6	16.9	12.9	26.1	14.0	15.4
1952-53..	21.0	22.6	25.8	22.0	11.8	23.4	12.7	19.1
1953-54..	19.0	22.5	17.6	19.9	13.8	27.2	18.5	18.4
1954-55(a)	13.5	20.0	22.9	19.2	11.3	12.5	10.0	15.9

## TOTAL AREA OF WHEAT GROWN FOR ALL PURPOSES.

('000 Acres.)								
Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	5,223	3,033	499	3,344	3,613	14	2	15,728
1950-51 ..	3,442	2,771	616	1,950	3,255	9	2	12,045
1951-52 ..	2,930	2,499	551	1,688	3,163	7	1	10,839
1952-53 ..	2,836	2,265	779	1,601	3,076	13	1	10,571
1953-54 ..	3,548	2,429	658	1,604	2,938	15	2	11,194
1954-55(a) ..	3,150	2,441	740	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)

## OTHER PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.			Cut for crushing.	Cane Sugar (94 N.T.)	

AREA.								
('000 Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	1,784	745	324	98	3,250	262	..	23,499
1949-50 ..	1,748	1,040	194	134	1,605	281	..	20,601
1950-51 ..	1,757	1,079	169	127	1,377	272	..	19,917
1951-52 ..	2,365	1,118	170	118	1,549	282	..	19,802
1952-53 ..	2,764	1,377	174	135	1,761	280	..	20,371
1953-54 ..	2,137	1,803	179	128	1,935	340	..	21,138

PRODUCTION.								
Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	'000 Bush.	'000 Bush.	'000 Bush.			'000 Tons.	'000 Tons.	
1938-39 ..	15,555	10,831	7,057	274	3,321	5,679	820	..
1949-50 ..	27,391	19,543	5,996	471	2,430	6,849	937	..
1950-51 ..	25,128	22,871	4,729	412	2,063	7,052	921	..
1951-52 ..	34,506	21,909	4,018	509	2,345	5,327	745	..
1952-53 ..	43,623	35,045	4,967	431	2,765	6,967	949	..
1953-54 ..	32,961	41,272	5,079	548	3,049	9,014	1,254	..

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Not yet available.



### NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVESTOCK. ( '000.)

March.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
HORSES.									
1939 ..	531	344	(a) 445	(a) 196	(a) 144	(a) 30	33	1	1,724
1950 ..	343	200	317	83	59	21	33	1	1,057
1951 ..	329	187	307	71	55	20	29	1	999
1952 ..	311	169	289	63	53	19	32	1	937
1953 ..	298	154	282	57	50	18	35	1	895
1954 ..	280	141	273	52	49	17	37	1	856

CATTLE—BEEF.									
1950 ..	2,167	706	4,872	193	688	117	1,049	8	9,750
1951 ..	2,457	727	5,294	188	618	115	1,019	8	10,426
1952 ..	2,416	776	5,137	201	621	111	1,058	7	10,327
1953 ..	2,405	820	5,378	231	612	113	936	6	10,501
1954 ..	2,316	817	5,703	230	600	121	966	6	10,759

CATTLE—DAIRY.									
1950 ..	1,273	1,525	1,433	271	227	158	..	3	4,890
1951 ..	1,246	1,489	1,440	245	223	157	..	3	4,803
1952 ..	1,205	1,439	1,297	236	231	155	..	3	4,566
1953 ..	1,244	1,477	1,373	252	234	162	..	4	4,746
1954 ..	1,238	1,553	1,388	261	230	174	..	3	4,842

CATTLE—TOTAL.									
1939 ..	2,812	1,697	(a) 6,097	(a) 319	(a) 768	(a) 262	900	7	12,862
1950 ..	3,440	2,231	6,305	464	865	275	1,049	11	14,640
1951 ..	3,703	2,216	6,734	433	841	272	1,019	11	15,229
1952 ..	3,621	2,215	6,434	437	852	266	1,058	10	14,899
1953 ..	3,649	2,297	6,751	483	846	275	936	10	15,247
1954 ..	3,554	2,370	7,086	491	830	295	966	9	15,601

SHEEP.									
1939 ..	48,877	17,007	a 23,159	a 9,937	a 9,177	a 2,626	30	245	111,058
1950 ..	53,298	19,161	17,582	9,477	10,923	2,170	26	254	112,891
1951 ..	54,111	20,012	17,478	10,166	11,362	2,181	29	257	115,596
1952 ..	53,676	21,537	16,164	11,470	12,188	2,338	31	243	117,647
1953 ..	57,461	21,368	17,030	12,036	12,475	2,421	34	247	123,072
1954 ..	59,639	21,438	18,194	11,838	13,087	2,465	31	252	126,944

PIGS.									
1939 ..	377	253	(a) 325	(a) 71	(a) 83	(a) 45	1	1	1,156
1950 ..	333	213	391	69	79	36	1	1	1,123
1951 ..	317	237	375	68	90	45	1	1	1,134
1952 ..	293	214	316	65	86	47	1	..	1,022
1953 ..	299	183	336	59	76	39	1	..	993
1954 ..	372	232	334	61	101	46	1	..	1,197

(a) December, previous year.

### PRODUCTION OF WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE). ( '000 lb.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	437,141	165,829	179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	983,582
1948-49 ..	463,208	204,080	156,655	114,905	99,429	16,846	305	1,977	1,057,405
1949-50 ..	515,043	225,243	162,256	121,248	98,889	16,958	230	2,123	1,141,990
1950-51 ..	492,130	218,266	154,667	125,384	107,341	17,250	235	2,266	1,117,539
1951-52 ..	437,837	224,958	138,767	135,484	120,401	20,513	252	1,765	1,079,977
1952-53 ..	556,552	252,195	163,149	158,658	128,148	19,807	332	2,245	1,281,086
1953-54 ..	544,934	223,481	174,414	145,509	134,442	20,116	290	2,276	1,245,462

(a) Estimated.

(b) For year ended 31st December, 1938.

## PRODUCTION OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia. (a)
WHOLE MILK FOR ALL PURPOSES. ( <sup>0</sup> 000 gal.)								
1938-39 ..	311,384	377,881	347,336	72,521	45,562	34,140	350	1,189,174
1949-50 ..	311,580	469,253	281,125	89,388	49,476	40,243	694	1,241,759
1950-51 ..	298,159	445,671	278,111	83,545	52,407	41,136	687	1,199,716
1951-52 ..	241,209	446,818	181,148	86,482	48,937	46,100	593	1,051,287
1952-53 ..	317,885	436,417	285,533	84,249	49,830	44,269	688	1,218,371
1953-54(b) ..	277,747	472,296	251,029	85,584	50,582	52,415	781	1,190,434
Six months ended—								
December, 1953(b)	136,893	286,013	111,310	52,043	33,904	28,754	433	649,350
December, 1954(b)	153,938	327,387	129,774	57,884	37,094	33,914	395	740,386

BUTTER (Factory and Farm).  
(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1949-50 ..	38,842	64,671	48,785	8,762	7,008	5,525	6	173,599
1950-51 ..	36,130	59,046	47,911	7,769	7,000	6,073	5	163,984
1951-52 ..	25,242	60,342	28,211	8,131	6,880	6,507	6	135,319
1952-53 ..	38,875	58,178	49,425	7,982	6,643	6,372	5	167,480
1953-54(b) ..	31,491	64,506	42,194	7,930	6,422	7,579	5	160,127
Six months ended—								
December, 1953(b)	14,883	30,498	18,006	4,970	4,847	4,168	2	86,374
December, 1954(b)	19,597	50,038	21,610	5,633	5,526	5,285	2	107,691

CHEESE (Factory and Farm).  
(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1949-50 ..	2,827	21,202	9,052	10,587	707	421	..	44,796
1950-51 ..	2,960	22,578	8,678	8,932	751	411	..	44,310
1951-52 ..	1,995	22,255	4,700	10,615	625	408	..	40,598
1952-53 ..	3,163	22,386	9,430	10,454	898	266	..	46,606
1953-54(b) ..	3,209	26,092	6,749	11,627	1,260	293	..	49,230
Six months ended—								
December, 1953(b)	1,962	17,514	3,423	8,133	945	148	..	32,125
December, 1954(b)	1,299	14,044	4,440	9,926	893	174	..	30,776

## CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC., MILK PRODUCTS: AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Full Cream Milk Products.				Total Whole Milk Equivalent of Full Cream Milk Products.	Milk By-Products.	
	Condensed Milk (Sweetened and Unsweetened).	Concentrated Whole Milk.(c)	Powdered Full Cream Milk.	Infants' and Invalids' Foods.(d)		Powdered Skim Milk.	Powdered Butter-milk and Whey.
1938-39..	Tons. 15,519	Tons. (e) 1,659	Tons. 10,712	Tons. (f) 1,259	<sup>0</sup> 000 gals. 33,367	Tons. (g)	Tons. (h) 556
1949-50 ..	49,767	17,270	22,539	10,531	89,565	9,393	2,989
1950-51 ..	50,507	18,351	17,594	12,100	84,828	6,583	3,192
1951-52 ..	52,467	16,743	15,121	12,066	76,324	10,887	2,938
1952-53 ..	55,385	14,493	22,393	10,042	83,411	16,103	4,073
1953-54(b) ..	42,029	17,638	18,638	11,597	73,230	18,911	4,937
Six months ended—							
December, 1953(b)	28,465	10,422	11,107	6,686	45,718	12,028	2,663
December, 1954(b)	25,005	5,776	9,366	5,946	38,302	14,283	3,095

(a) Excludes Northern Territory. (b) Subject to revision. (c) Principally for use in ice-cream manufacture. (d) Includes malted milk and milk sugar and a small quantity of non-fat malted milk. (e) Incomplete. (f) Malted milk and milk sugar only. (g) Included with Powdered Full Cream Milk. (h) Excludes whey.

## PRODUCTION OF MEAT (BONE-IN WEIGHT).

(Tons.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
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## BEEF (including Veal).

1938-39 ..	172,001	113,985	207,007	24,731	27,733	10,946	2,235	572	559,210
1949-50 ..	185,588	124,609	211,496	32,615	35,357	12,271	3,274	1,312	606,522
1950-51 ..	192,760	136,604	232,398	36,372	33,969	14,103	3,591	1,716	651,513
1951-52 ..	184,271	137,241	177,608	31,091	32,196	14,390	3,285	1,806	581,888
1952-53 ..	217,320	123,643	252,495	31,100	31,810	13,842	3,175	1,464	674,849
1953-54 ..	220,915	140,019	257,783	34,122	35,494	11,003	3,277	1,656	704,269
Six months ended—									
December, 1953..	110,337	64,461	135,937	17,874	18,196	5,286	1,701	828	354,620
December, 1954(a)	108,940	68,920	149,956	16,328	20,053	6,229	1,596	828	372,850

## MUTTON.

1938-39 ..	72,131	77,445	18,950	18,495	14,362	4,004	5	356	205,748
1949-50 ..	64,018	81,270	16,024	23,388	15,553	4,819	57	710	205,839
1950-51 ..	52,464	56,045	12,467	21,022	14,374	4,813	27	621	161,833
1951-52 ..	56,329	64,756	13,082	20,163	16,086	4,732	34	648	175,890
1952-53 ..	72,455	94,130	18,572	33,660	23,620	5,654	82	834	249,007
1953-54 ..	75,771	87,302	18,075	30,714	18,908	6,004	72	720	237,566
Six months ended—									
December, 1953..	36,549	40,233	9,373	16,222	10,044	3,044	39	360	115,864
December, 1954(a)	36,371	42,376	7,431	14,597	10,705	3,170	38	360	115,057

## LAMB.

1938-39 ..	28,535	58,685	1,506	15,557	7,852	2,325	..	84	114,544
1949-50 ..	55,797	66,984	1,649	16,525	6,893	4,107	..	339	152,294
1950-51 ..	39,999	47,007	1,100	12,900	7,176	3,848	..	300	112,420
1951-52 ..	37,747	44,227	1,338	11,059	7,600	4,243	..	312	106,526
1952-53 ..	53,276	58,900	1,799	17,824	8,886	5,002	..	396	146,083
1953-54 ..	48,759	48,320	1,617	14,757	8,358	5,069	..	366	127,246
Six months ended—									
December, 1953..	24,931	28,463	856	10,498	5,915	2,235	..	183	73,081
December, 1954(a)	25,201	42,890	717	16,490	4,997	2,654	..	180	93,129

## PORK.

1938-39 ..	9,617	10,769	11,844	2,037	1,092	1,623	8	43	37,033
1949-50 ..	10,280	6,645	12,911	2,009	1,793	1,208	42	90	34,958
1950-51 ..	9,307	7,596	11,751	2,774	2,116	1,499	64	150	35,257
1951-52 ..	10,382	8,716	8,604	2,551	2,550	1,981	70	170	35,024
1952-53 ..	9,611	6,925	6,548	2,836	2,436	1,920	60	132	30,468
1953-54(a) ..	13,602	7,584	7,132	2,325	2,028	1,576	69	132	34,448
Six months ended—									
December, 1953(a)	7,238	3,956	3,549	1,257	1,034	783	37	73	17,927
December, 1954(a)	8,499	5,238	4,140	1,681	2,219	844	34	72	22,727

## BACON AND HAM (Cured weight).

1938-39 ..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	..	33,238
1949-50 ..	12,955	9,779	10,018	3,318	3,542	991	..	..	40,603
1950-51 ..	12,629	7,905	8,764	3,042	3,558	946	..	..	36,844
1951-52(b) ..	12,514	8,964	7,669	2,969	3,683	829	..	..	36,628
1952-53(b) ..	13,228	8,165	9,510	3,063	3,693	886	..	..	38,545
1953-54(a)(b) ..	11,555	7,117	10,616	3,002	3,458	974	..	..	36,722
Six months ended—									
December, 1953 a b	6,297	3,662	5,463	1,600	1,804	514	..	..	19,340
December, 1954 a b	6,211	4,278	5,976	1,717	1,781	556	..	..	20,519

## TOTAL IN TERMS OF FRESH MEAT.

1938-39 ..	299,975	271,939	252,045	64,829	53,880	20,421	2,248	1,055	966,392
1949-50 ..	333,282	292,807	255,705	79,049	64,413	23,753	3,373	2,451	1,054,833
1950-51 ..	311,704	258,002	269,634	77,296	62,473	25,554	3,632	2,787	1,011,132
1951-52 ..	305,748	267,129	211,062	68,902	63,441	26,474	3,389	2,938	949,081
1952-53 ..	370,652	294,702	292,349	89,585	71,776	27,624	3,317	2,828	1,152,831
1953-54(a) ..	374,762	292,903	299,044	86,002	69,490	24,978	3,418	2,874	1,153,471
Six months ended—									
December, 1953(a)	187,619	142,093	157,144	48,027	37,642	12,048	1,777	1,444	587,794
December, 1954(a)	187,458	165,244	170,372	51,431	40,396	13,663	1,668	1,440	631,672

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes pressed and canned bacon and ham converted to bone-in weight.

**MINING AND QUARRYING—VALUE OF OUTPUT (a).**  
(£'000.)

Industry and Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust.
1953.								
<b>Metal Mining—</b>								
Gold Mining ..	225	1,033	278	7	13,375	..	820	15,738
Silver-Lead Zinc Mining ..	22,817	..	(b)	(b)	310	1,903	..	31,672
Copper-Gold Mining ..	21	..	(b)	(c)	(b)	(b)	18	4,384
Tin Mining ..	303	..	211	..	68	1,258	15	1,855
Other Metal Mining ..	1,322	6	1,027	(b)	1,401	(b)	266	9,170
<b>Total Metal Mining</b>	<b>24,688</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>10,563</b>	<b>2,989</b>	<b>15,157</b>	<b>7,264</b>	<b>1,119</b>	<b>62,819</b>
<b>Fuel Mining—</b>								
Black Coal Mining ..	41,030	946	5,861	461	3,073	453	..	51,824
Brown Coal Mining ..	..	3,628	..	..	..	..	..	3,628
<b>Total Fuel Mining ..</b>	<b>41,030</b>	<b>4,574</b>	<b>5,861</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>3,073</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>55,452</b>
<b>Non-Metal (excl. Fuel)</b>								
<b>Mining and Construc-</b>								
<b>tion Material Quarrying</b>	<b>6,028</b>	<b>(d) 3,716</b>	<b>(d) 746</b>	<b>2,753</b>	<b>(d) 1,781</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>(e) (d) 15,557</b>
<b>Total All Mining and Quarrying ..</b>	<b>71,746</b>	<b>(d) 9,329</b>	<b>(d) 17,170</b>	<b>6,203</b>	<b>(d) 20,011</b>	<b>8,037</b>	<b>1,221</b>	<b>(e) d 133,828</b>
1952 .. ..	77,097	(d) 8,535	(d) 17,429	6,047	(d) 17,704	8,750	(d) 1,282	d 136,844
1951(f) .. ..	67,877	6,949	10,922	4,938	13,474	10,552	(g)	114,712
1950(f) .. ..	46,102	5,274	10,829	4,428	12,037	7,049	(g)	85,719
1949(f) .. ..	35,295	4,215	7,096	3,118	9,799	4,629	(g)	64,152
1939(f) .. ..	12,914	2,789	3,438	3,648	12,496	2,145	(g)	37,430

(a) Selling value at point of sale of mine or quarry product less transport costs from mine or quarry to point of sale (i.e. value of output at mine or quarry) from 1952. For years prior to 1952 totals have been estimated by Government Statisticians in each State using values of individual products recorded by Mines Departments and other relevant data. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Less than £500. (d) Incomplete. (e) Includes £111,000 for the Australian Capital Territory. (f) Incomplete for some Non-Metal (excl. Fuel) Mining industries and for Construction Material Quarrying in some States. (g) Not available.

**PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS.**

State or Territory and Year.	Principal Metallic Contents of Minerals Produced.						Coal.	
	Copper.	Gold.	Iron.	Lead.	Tin.	Tungsten.	Zinc.	
	tons	'000 f. oz.	'000 tons	'000 tons	tons	(a) tons	'000 tons	Black. Brown.
								'000 tons '000 tons

QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.(b)

New South Wales	781	9	..	65	74	1	56	4,018	..
Victoria ..	..	12	..	..	11	..	..	42	2,483
Queensland ..	6,867	25	..	11	(c) 178	(c) 6	5	787	..
South Australia ..	..	(d)	455	..	..	..	..	130	..
Western Australia ..	..	222	151	(d)	2	1	..	290	..
Tasmania ..	1,827	5	..	3	272	428	8	71	..
Northern Territory	263	13	..	..	6	14	..	..	..
<b>Australia—</b>									
Sept. Qtr. 1954	9,738	286	606	79	543	450	69	5,338	2,483
Sept. Qtr. 1953	10,741	273	545	78	419	513	69	5,283	2,120
<b>Year 1953 ..</b>	<b>36,585</b>	<b>1,075</b>	<b>(c) 2,132</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>1,553</b>	<b>1,406</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>18,411</b>	<b>8,257</b>
1952 ..	18,578	980	(c) 1,883	228	1,610	1,282	196	19,404	8,104
1951 ..	17,926	896	(c) 1,605	212	1,559	1,112	189	17,608	7,836
1950 ..	17,481	870	(c) 1,418	225	1,854	730	198	16,543	7,327

(a) In terms of WO<sub>3</sub> (tungstic trioxide). (b) Subject to revision. (c) Estimated. (d) Less than half the unit of quantity shown.



## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

## Australia.

Year.	(1) Factories.	(2) Persons Em- ployed. (a)	(3) Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	(4) Value of Fuel, &c., Used.	(5) Value of Materials Used.	(6) Value of Pro- duction. (c)	(7) Value of Output. (d)	(8) Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.
	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1938-39 ..	26,941	565,106	106,743	15,700	281,303	203,417	500,420	274,583
1948-49 ..	40,070	890,117	339,219	46,061	810,548	568,769	1,425,378	479,234
1949-50 ..	41,596	917,499	385,797	54,830	929,094	661,532	1,645,456	545,151
1950-51 ..	43,147	968,918	491,718	71,682	1,235,281	843,872	2,150,835	642,336
1951-52 ..	45,844	977,517	611,789	96,629	1,513,210	1,024,867	2,634,706	769,634
1952-53 ..	47,740	933,261	635,245	109,337	1,527,805	1,082,862	2,720,004	907,980

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

working proprietors.

(c) Value of production equals figures in column (7) less total of figures in

(d) Value of goods produced including amounts received for work done.

## MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

## States.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
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## 1938-39.

1. Factories ..	No.	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Persons employed(a) ..		228,781	201,831	54,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Salaries, Wages paid(b) ..	£'000.	44,606	36,027	10,887	8,169	4,574	2,480	106,743
4. Value of fuel, &c. used ..		7,652	4,000	1,423	1,018	1,169	438	15,700
5. " materials used ..		120,502	82,971	42,596	20,309	9,604	5,321	281,303
6. " production(c) ..		90,266	65,996	19,302	13,678	8,776	5,399	203,417
7. " output ..		218,420	152,967	63,321	35,005	19,549	11,158	500,420
8. " land & buildings, ..		57,354	42,026	12,299	8,711	6,814	3,717	130,921
9. " plant & mchnry, ..		62,693	38,627	18,095	9,750	8,095	6,402	143,662

## 1951-52.

1. Factories ..	No.	18,144	14,758	4,918	3,245	3,267	1,512	45,844
2. Persons employed(a) ..		405,994	324,143	94,349	83,907	45,097	24,027	977,517
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	£'000.	263,652	202,586	51,906	53,558	25,384	14,703	611,789
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..		48,664	21,990	8,286	10,409	5,173	2,107	96,629
5. " materials used ..		647,291	477,617	150,427	139,198	58,652	40,025	1,513,210
6. " production(c) ..		443,391	334,360	91,330	83,246	42,746	20,794	1,024,867
7. " output ..		1,139,346	839,967	250,043	232,853	106,571	71,926	2,634,706
8. " land & buildings, ..		153,662	119,465	28,610	28,507	16,747	12,499	359,490
9. " plant & mchnry, ..		166,437	128,934	41,290	32,177	20,716	20,590	410,144

## 1952-53.

1. Factories ..	No.	19,251	15,154	5,068	3,339	3,424	1,504	47,740
2. Persons employed(a) ..		330,213	310,759	93,123	80,483	45,188	23,495	933,261
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	£'000.	265,910	210,878	57,591	56,546	28,344	15,976	635,245
4. Value of fuel, &c., used ..		53,630	25,626	9,624	11,806	6,175	2,476	109,337
5. " materials used ..		627,954	476,489	187,572	133,818	63,943	38,029	1,527,805
6. " production(c) ..		457,742	358,032	98,209	89,189	49,192	30,498	1,082,862
7. " output ..		1,139,326	860,147	295,405	234,813	119,310	71,003	2,720,004
8. " land & buildings, ..		176,576	135,324	34,720	31,904	20,960	14,962	414,446
9. " plant & mchnry, ..		207,733	147,356	51,670	40,111	24,035	22,620	493,534

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by

working proprietors.

(c) Value of production equals figures in line 7 less totals of figures in lines

4 and 5.



**Value of Production(a)—Australia.**  
(£'000.)

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1945-46.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products .. ..	5,146	5,473	17,325	21,893	23,287
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,572	6,065	16,667	20,946	22,170
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils, Grease .. ..	12,456	22,582	52,703	63,715	67,835
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Conveyances .. ..	62,435	129,692	326,993	413,051	421,276
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate ..	931	1,376	4,978	5,438	5,239
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods (not dress)	10,918	22,036	54,608	56,584	64,833
VII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear) .. ..	3,183	6,850	14,721	13,623	15,838
VIII. Clothing (except Knitted) .. ..	16,551	29,835	71,757	81,058	82,786
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco .. ..	41,601	61,988	118,322	141,053	164,333
X. Sawmills, Joinery, Boxes, &c., Wood Turning and Carving .. ..	9,461	15,590	44,881	58,082	58,245
XI. Furniture of Wood, Bedding, &c. ..	4,200	5,467	17,137	19,320	19,315
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c. .. ..	14,559	20,496	54,725	68,234	68,298
XIII. Rubber .. ..	2,761	4,182	13,065	18,045	16,627
XIV. Musical Instruments .. ..	136	207	1,260	1,416	1,378
XV. Miscellaneous Products .. ..	2,098	6,609	15,514	17,179	18,353
XVI. Heat, Light and Power .. ..	11,409	13,875	19,216	25,230	33,056
<b>Total .. ..</b>	<b>203,417</b>	<b>352,323</b>	<b>843,872</b>	<b>1,024,867</b>	<b>1,082,862</b>

(a) See note (c) above.

**Average Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid per Employee.(a)**  
(£.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1948-49—Males ..	455.88	457.85	405.20	441.83	390.29	425.40	446.17
Females	245.02	261.17	216.90	227.81	208.35	234.25	246.83
1949-50—Males ..	499.33	510.86	446.87	487.39	433.41	465.46	492.20
Females	270.27	291.34	240.93	257.31	231.57	265.37	274.12
1950-51—Males ..	609.05	610.44	516.83	583.37	515.67	558.67	591.41
Females	338.08	355.57	289.82	322.03	279.55	322.46	338.12
1951-52—Males ..	756.84	736.68	625.91	716.25	643.68	687.09	725.57
Females	428.40	436.60	354.96	405.70	351.30	404.71	422.04
1952-53—Males ..	807.77	793.11	701.45	779.90	711.80	761.21	782.87
Females	473.28	483.46	400.48	451.80	400.32	448.58	467.79

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

**Average Number of Males and Females Employed(a) over whole Year, 1952-53.**

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males .. ..	291,704	228,724	77,627	67,114	38,614	19,621	723,404
Females .. ..	88,509	82,035	15,496	13,369	6,574	3,874	209,857
Masculinity(b) ..	330	279	501	502	587	506	345

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Number of males per 100 females.

## PRODUCTION OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES—AUSTRALIA.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.(a)	Six Months ended December—	
							1953.(a)	1954.(a)
Beer(b) .. .. .	Mill. gal.	90	173	185	197	214	106	114
Biscuits .. .. .	Mill. lb.	73.7	130.1	149.9	148.3	150.1	78.2	78.7
Blankets .. .. .	Thousand	1,147	1,945	1,291	99	1,205	581	723
Boots, Shoes and Sandals ..	'000 pair.	13,967	18,905	18,509	17,709	19,650	10,662	10,452
Bricks, Clay .. .. .	Million.	721	689	715	660	774	388	430
Cement Building Sheets ..	Mill. sq. yds.	9.5	21.2	23.3	24.3	26.8	13.3	14.7
Cement, Portland .. .. .	'000 tons.	883	1,235	1,237	1,439	1,723	835	999
Cloth, Woven, Woollen(c) ..	Mill. sq. yds.	31.7	37.9	37.9	28.6	33.0	17.0	14.9
Coal—Black .. .. .	'000 tons.	12,608	16,418	19,170	18,545	19,424	9,992	10,322
Brown .. .. .	" "	3,208	7,300	8,096	8,075	8,731	4,226	4,826
Confectionery—Chocolate ..	Mill. lb.	43.5	69.1	61.3	59.0	62.3	30.6	25.5
Other .. .. .	" "	58.1	73.4	78.7	76.6	75.6	40.4	43.4
Copper, Refined(d) .. .. .	'000 tons.	17.5	11.2	17.8	19.1	20.9	7.3	15.7
Electricity .. .. .	Mill. kWh	4,688	10,503	11,297	12,045	13,622	6,731	7,575
Electric Motors .. .. .	Thousand	31.7	523.6	610.4	601.7	977.8	470.9	620.8
Enamels, Natural and Synthetic	'000 gal.	575	1,889	2,093	2,108	2,674	1,426	1,841
Engines, Internal Combustion—								
Marine(e) .. .. .	Number	2,957	2,296	2,112	1,232	1,365	775	751
Other(f) .. .. .	" "	2,889	31,322	30,431	21,446	23,877	12,622	11,827
Fibrous Plaster Sheets ..	'000 sq. yds.	7,605	15,184	16,470	15,418	15,939	7,906	8,800
Flour, Wheaten .. .. .	'000 short tons.	1,373	1,696	1,721	1,726	1,601	855	729
Fruit, Preserved(g) .. .. .	Mill. lb.	150.7	233.5	256.1	218.1	334.5	21.5	35.9
Gas(h) .. .. .	Mill. cub. ft.	21,472	37,875	40,391	40,722	42,219	21,802	22,654
Gold (Mine) .. .. .	'000 fine oz.	1,621	891	909	1,038	1,111	561	567
Hosiery—Men's and Boys' ..	'000 doz. pr.	1,102	1,536	1,462	1,575	1,880	1,011	929
Women's and Girls' ..	" "	2,136	1,857	1,867	2,337	2,804	1,405	1,639
Children's .. .. .	" "	611	563	462	422	563	292	239
Ice Cream .. .. .	'000 gal.	4,262	17,385	17,306	13,425	14,127	7,215	7,432
Iron and Steel—Pig Iron ..	'000 tons.	1,105	1,313	1,430	1,692	1,830	947	983
Ingot Steel .. .. .	" "	1,170	1,444	1,521	1,801	2,130	1,083	1,172
Jam .. .. .	" "	37.9	55.9	48.3	34.6	37.1	10.6	13.3
Lacquers .. .. .	'000 gal.	576	1,158	1,191	1,013	1,343	685	741
Lead (i) .. .. .	'000 tons.	233	188	188	192	236	120	123
Malt, Barley and Wheaten ..	'000 bush.	3,733	5,772	6,242	6,793	7,218	3,642	3,972
Margarine—Table .. .. .	'000 lb.	7,448	8,542	15,952	15,856	21,407	11,204	11,268
Other .. .. .	" "	31,221	49,653	56,168	49,337	49,779	25,829	26,712
Meat, Canned .. .. .	'000 tons.	14.4	58.0	72.3	92.7	70.5	33.0	39.9
Newsprint .. .. .	" "	31.0	31.0	32.6	34.0	59.6	26.3	36.4
Paints, Ready Mixed .. .. .	'000 gal.	2,115	5,590	5,513	4,301	5,225	2,604	2,944
Refrigerators, Domestic ..	'000	29.5	203.9	192.8	182.1	276.8	143.9	181.5
Silver, Refined .. .. .	'000 fine oz.	9,455	6,563	6,681	6,388	8,365	3,826	3,962
Slippers .. .. .	'000 pr.	7,704	8,641	7,578	6,966	8,513	4,337	3,337
Soap .. .. .	'000 cwt.	998	1,366	1,305	1,201	1,219	611	619
Stoves, Cooking(j)—Electric(k) ..	Thousand	(l)	44.8	50.9	23.2	36.6	16.4	22.7
Gas .. .. .	" "	46.7	55.4	51.0	35.7	44.0	22.9	30.4
Solid Fuel .. .. .	" "	54.5	75.0	71.7	47.9	49.7	26.3	28.3
Sugar, Refined .. .. .	'000 tons.	339	451	493	422	459	225	254
Sulphate of Ammonia .. .. .	" "	24.3	57.9	63.8	70.2	71.3	37.1	40.1
Sulphuric Acid (100%) ..	" "	439	640	650	627	735	342	384
Superphosphate .. .. .	" "	1,199	1,548	1,597	1,581	1,771	819	878
Tiles, Roofing—Terra Cotta ..	Million.	39.7	47.0	48.9	58.0	64.0	32.7	33.0
Cement .. .. .	" "	4.5	50.8	66.5	46.9	45.4	23.5	27.3
Timber, Sawn Native(m) ..	Mill. sup. ft.	717	1,261	1,393	1,340	1,406	735	747
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes	Mill. lb.	23.3	31.8	33.5	36.3	40.2	20.3	21.8
Vegetables, Preserved(n) ..	" "	10.3	79.5	100.4	66.3	39.6	22.3	24.5
Wool, Scoured .. .. .	" "	105	152	121	124	136	69	68
Wool Tops .. .. .	" "	25.2	29.8	24.8	26.5	32.7	17.4	16.0
Yarn, Woollen and Worsted ..	" "	32.5	46.6	36.5	35.6	44.9	24.5	22.0
Zinc, Refined .. .. .	'000 tons.	69.8	77.7	84.1	86.2	99.2	47.5	52.9

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes waste beer. (c) Includes wool in admixture with fibres other than rayon. (d) Excludes copper refined from imported blister copper. (e) Other than Diesel type. (f) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor and aeroplane. (g) Includes all types of preserved apples. (h) Made in gas-works only. (i) Includes lead in lead bullion, produced for export. (j) Domestic. (k) Excludes stoves, cookers, &c. (l) Figures prior to 1948-49 not available on a comparable basis. (m) Includes sawn sleepers. (n) Includes preserved tomatoes.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION<sup>(a)</sup>—AUSTRALIA.<sup>(b)</sup>

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

(£'000.)

Industry.	1938-39.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION.						
Agriculture ..	41,679	164,372	218,703	208,130	246,685	276,398
Pastoral(c) ..	63,820	240,855	337,121	704,809	400,493	493,745
Dairying ..	33,782	67,552	81,102	89,352	103,776	135,745
Poultry ..	7,302	20,196	22,228	24,614	31,554	35,213
Bee-farming(d) ..	123	1,509	743	831	774	1,066
Total Rural ..	146,706	494,484	659,897	1,027,736	783,282	942,167
Trapping(d) ..	1,422	7,786	5,716	6,629	6,713	5,595
Forestry(d) ..	7,811	20,305	23,195	28,428	37,905	41,864
Fisheries(d) ..	1,654	4,174	4,234	4,869	5,729	6,897
Mining and Quarrying	27,375	48,353	52,327	71,150	97,199	(e)109,671
Total Non-Rural ..	38,262	80,618	85,472	111,076	147,546	(e)164,027
Total All Primary	184,968	575,102	745,369	1,138,812	930,828	e1,106,194
Factories ..	203,417	568,769	661,532	843,872	1,024,867	1,082,862
Total All Industries	388,385	1,143,871	1,406,901	1,982,684	1,955,695	e2,189,056

## NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agriculture ..	6 0 6	21 3 3	27 5 8	25 3 1	29 0 7	31 15 3
Pastoral(c) ..	9 4 7	31 0 1	42 1 2	85 3 9	47 2 7	56 14 8
Dairying ..	4 17 9	8 13 11	10 2 4	10 16 0	12 4 3	15 12 0
Poultry ..	1 1 1	2 12 0	2 15 6	2 19 6	3 14 3	4 0 11
Bee-farming(d) ..	0 0 4	0 3 11	0 1 11	0 2 0	0 1 10	0 2 5
Total Rural ..	21 4 3	63 13 2	82 6 7	124 4 4	92 3 6	108 5 3
Trapping(d) ..	0 4 1	1 0 1	0 14 3	0 16 0	0 15 10	0 12 10
Forestry(d) ..	1 2 7	2 12 3	2 17 11	3 8 9	4 9 3	4 16 3
Fisheries(d) ..	0 4 10	0 10 9	0 10 7	0 11 9	0 13 6	0 15 10
Mining and Quarrying	3 19 2	6 4 6	6 10 7	8 12 0	11 8 9	e12 12 1
Total Non-Rural ..	5 10 8	10 7 7	10 13 4	13 8 6	17 7 4	e18 17 0
Total All Primary	26 14 11	74 0 9	92 19 11	137 12 10	109 10 10	e127 2 3
Factories ..	29 8 4	73 4 6	82 10 7	101 19 11	120 12 0	124 8 7
Total All Industries	56 3 3	147 5 3	175 10 6	239 12 9	230 2 10	251 10 10
						(e)

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty, relief, &c. (b) Excludes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.  
(c) Distributions of profits from the 1939-45 Wartime Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded. (d) Local value. (e) Includes Northern Territory for Mining and Quarrying.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION<sup>(a)</sup> 1952-53.

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

(£'000.)

Industry.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION.							
Agriculture .. ..	66,623	65,067	53,684	51,244	28,977	10,803	276,398
Pastoral(c) .. ..	206,872	108,459	82,442	49,918	38,642	7,412	493,745
Dairying .. ..	45,668	42,687	30,158	9,427	3,911	3,894	135,745
Poultry .. ..	14,615	14,886	1,147	2,058	1,449	1,058	35,213
Bee-farming(d) ..	359	269	97	223	100	18	1,066
Total Rural .. ..	334,137	231,368	167,528	112,870	73,079	23,185	942,167
Trapping(d) .. ..	1,793	2,717	129	541	230	185	5,595
Forestry(d) .. ..	15,492	8,904	7,102	3,790	3,328	3,248	41,864
Fisheries(d) .. ..	2,233	753	844	851	1,610	606	6,897
Mining and Quarrying ..	63,166	6,632	13,860	5,153	12,410	7,325	109,671
Total Non-rural ..	82,684	19,006	21,935	10,335	17,578	11,364	164,027
Total All Primary ..	416,821	250,374	189,463	123,205	90,657	34,549	1,106,194
Factories .. ..	457,742	358,032	98,209	89,189	49,192	30,498	1,082,862
Total All Industries ..	874,563	608,406	287,672	212,394	139,849	65,047	2,189,056

## NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agriculture .. ..	19 9 7	27 10 10	42 19 9	68 7 5	47 5 10	34 19 5	31 15 3
Pastoral(c) .. ..	60 9 8	45 18 3	66 0 4	66 12 0	63 1 3	23 19 10	56 14 8
Dairying .. ..	13 7 1	18 1 5	24 3 0	12 11 7	6 7 8	12 12 1	15 12 0
Poultry .. ..	4 5 6	6 6 0	0 18 4	2 14 11	2 7 4	3 8 6	4 0 11
Bee-farming(d) ..	0 2 1	0 2 3	0 1 7	0 5 11	0 3 3	0 1 2	0 2 5
Total Rural .. ..	97 13 11	97 18 9	134 3 0	150 11 10	119 5 4	75 1 0	108 5 3
Trapping(d) .. ..	0 10 6	1 3 0	0 2 1	0 14 5	0 7 6	0 12 0	0 12 10
Forestry(d) .. ..	4 10 7	3 15 5	5 13 9	5 1 2	5 8 7	10 10 3	4 16 3
Fisheries(d) .. ..	0 13 1	0 6 4	0 13 6	1 2 9	2 12 7	1 19 3	0 15 10
Mining and Quarrying ..	18 9 4	2 16 2	11 1 11	6 17 6	20 5 1	23 14 3	12 12 1
Total Non-Rural ..	24 3 6	8 0 11	17 11 3	13 15 10	28 13 9	36 15 9	18 17 0
Total All Primary ..	121 17 5	105 19 8	151 14 3	164 7 8	147 19 1	111 16 9	127 2 3
Factories .. ..	133 16 9	151 11 0	78 12 10	118 19 11	80 5 8	93 14 5	124 8 7
Total All Industries ..	255 14 2	257 10 8	230 7 1	283 7 7	228 4 9	210 11 2	251 10 10

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty relief, &c. (b) Excludes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory except for Mining and Quarrying for the Northern Territory. (c) Distributions of profits from the Wartime Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded. (d) Local value.



## Section III.—Building.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED, SIX MONTHS ENDED  
31st DECEMBER, 1954.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Kind of Building.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
<b>Houses—</b>								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone Wood (Weatherboard, &c.) .. ..	13,189	11,795	957	8,260	5,409	871	852	41,333
Fibro Cement .. ..	9,718	18,052	6,143	1,849	208	2,226	241	38,437
Other .. ..	16,907	1,373	1,000	885	6,087	62	4	26,318
	74	207	92	81	2	..	..	456
<b>Total Houses ..</b>	<b>39,888</b>	<b>31,427</b>	<b>8,192</b>	<b>11,075</b>	<b>11,706</b>	<b>3,159</b>	<b>1,097</b>	<b>106,544</b>
<b>Flats ..</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>1,018</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2,704</b>
Shops with Dwellings ..	615	612	106	62	85	46	10	1,536
Shops without Dwellings	1,281	1,277	424	290	460	237	29	3,998
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, &c.	1,379	130	124	167	21	..	12	1,833
Factories .. ..	4,281	3,670	301	765	1,039	150	105	10,311
Other New Buildings ..	8,626	7,413	3,829	2,256	2,522	1,428	468	26,542
<b>Total Other Buildings</b>	<b>17,065</b>	<b>14,120</b>	<b>5,135</b>	<b>3,632</b>	<b>4,396</b>	<b>1,938</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>46,924</b>
<b>Total New Buildings</b>	<b>56,953</b>	<b>45,547</b>	<b>13,327</b>	<b>14,707</b>	<b>16,102</b>	<b>5,097</b>	<b>1,735</b>	<b>153,468</b>

## VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.								
1949-50 .. ..	(a) 51,277	44,218	16,994	11,301	8,459	8,379	1,492	(a) 142,120
1950-51 .. ..	(a) 79,750	74,750	21,082	17,827	14,186	10,336	2,439	(a) 220,370
1951-52 .. ..	83,460	78,740	27,605	22,006	18,724	11,004	2,559	244,698
1952-53 .. ..	71,005	60,244	25,680	25,819	20,819	6,511	2,788	213,066
1953-54 .. ..	111,097	87,733	27,838	25,649	26,369	9,224	2,856	290,766
Six months ended—								
December, 1953 ..	50,608	42,424	13,106	12,439	12,211	3,757	1,237	135,782
December, 1954 ..	60,675	48,099	14,803	13,809	18,007	4,928	3,197	163,518

## COMPLETED.

1949-50 .. ..	(a) 40,920	34,684	13,953	9,074	5,352	5,342	1,462	(a) 110,787
1950-51 .. ..	(a) 49,466	52,058	17,286	12,042	8,948	8,403	1,717	(a) 149,920
1951-52 .. ..	76,207	68,615	25,339	18,123	14,426	10,511	2,723	215,944
1952-53 .. ..	98,049	76,107	26,233	25,882	22,918	10,665	2,875	262,729
1953-54 .. ..	101,545	84,018	25,913	26,108	25,785	9,692	3,873	276,939
Six months ended—								
December, 1953 ..	50,846	45,389	13,359	12,525	13,582	4,506	1,948	142,155
December, 1954 ..	56,953	45,547	13,327	14,707	16,102	5,097	1,735	153,468

## UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1949-50 .. ..	(a)							(a)
1950-51 .. ..	75,006	56,096	11,805	10,519	10,022	8,989	4,396	176,833
1951-52 .. ..	102,708	85,058	15,653	17,272	15,942	12,178	3,502	254,113
1952-53 .. ..	125,674	102,670	18,728	23,813	22,302	13,770	6,208	313,165
1953-54 .. ..	105,261	94,017	17,838	25,253	23,189	10,494	7,161	283,213
1953-54 .. ..	120,460	101,433	19,699	23,730	25,701	11,782	7,249	310,054
December, 1953 ..	108,595	92,215	17,592	24,007	23,461	10,801	6,795	283,466
December, 1954 ..	125,906	105,711	21,029	22,999	28,794	11,956	8,939	325,339

(a) Partly estimated.



# **NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED, SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Material of Outer Walls.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone .. Wood (Weatherboard, &c.) .. ..	3,468	3,360	327	2,919	1,566	259	188	12,087
Fibro Cement .. ..	3,746	7,064	2,830	585	88	956	51	15,320
Other .. ..	7,737	694	636	402	2,654	43	2	12,168
Total .. ..	24	73	41	38	2	..	..	178
Total .. ..	14,975	11,191	3,834	3,944	4,310	1,258	241	39,753

## **NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES. (INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)**

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
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### **COMMENCED.**

1949-50 .. ..	(a)22,055	19,643	10,009	6,109	5,031	2,664	389	(a)66,900
1950-51 .. ..	(a)25,162	26,949	10,698	7,966	6,970	4,122	877	(a)82,744
1951-52 .. ..	24,864	23,506	11,995	8,510	7,730	3,584	312	80,001
1952-53 .. ..	21,030	16,254	9,381	7,967	7,012	2,285	528	64,457
1953-54 .. ..	28,395	20,915	8,513	6,792	7,603	2,665	355	75,243
Six months ended—								
December, 1953 ..	14,071	10,467	4,174	3,498	3,725	1,278	144	37,357
December, 1954 ..	13,329	11,634	4,079	3,398	4,749	1,268	227	38,684

### **COMPLETED.**

1949-50 .. ..	(a)18,766	15,611	9,447	4,904	3,509	2,852	404	(a)55,493
1950-51 .. ..	(a)19,771	21,161	10,275	6,725	5,160	3,914	574	(a)67,580
1951-52 .. ..	23,351	23,951	11,803	7,711	6,577	3,999	584	77,976
1952-53 .. ..	24,890	21,073	10,598	8,940	7,965	3,311	590	77,330
1953-54 .. ..	26,513	21,101	8,961	7,522	7,627	2,630	552	74,906
Six months ended—								
December, 1953 ..	13,312	11,620	4,696	4,024	4,031	1,269	327	39,279
December, 1954 ..	14,975	11,191	3,834	3,944	4,310	1,258	241	39,753

### **UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.**

1949-50 .. ..	(a)26,402	21,553	4,520	5,241	3,957	3,357	678	(a)65,708
1950-51 .. ..	31,793	27,341	4,943	6,529	5,764	3,558	981	80,909
1951-52 .. ..	32,806	26,896	5,135	7,395	6,917	3,143	708	83,000
1952-53 .. ..	28,946	22,053	3,918	6,464	5,951	2,114	646	70,092
1953-54 .. ..	30,828	21,865	3,470	5,750	5,932	2,149	449	70,443
December, 1953 ..	29,705	20,900	3,396	5,960	5,645	2,123	463	68,192
December, 1954 ..	29,182	22,308	3,715	5,198	6,371	2,159	435	69,368

(a) Partly estimated.

## **NUMBER OF NEW FLATS COMPLETED.(a) (INDIVIDUAL FLATS.)**

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1949-50 .. ..	1,075	246	16	..	101	24	32	1,494
1950-51 .. ..	966	333	26	..	305	18	36	1,684
1951-52 .. ..	1,225	416	29	..	215	21	100	2,006
1952-53 .. ..	1,664	692	53	58	100	14	46	2,627
1953-54 .. ..	1,011	689	156	99	212	13	..	2,180
Six months ended—								
December, 1953 ..	714	383	92	60	143	2	..	1,394
December, 1954(b) ..	388	442	187	47	160	27	4	1,255

(a) Figures are additional to numbers of houses shown above. Each flat is counted as a separate unit, and the numbers shown relate to individual flats. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. (b) In this period 1,512 flats were commenced, and 2,490 flats were under construction at the end of the period in Australia.

## Section IV.—Oversea Trade.

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

## OVERSEA TRADE—STATES.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

State or Territory.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.
IMPORTS.					
New South Wales .. .. .	53,088	303,977	429,104	210,148	280,537
Victoria .. .. .	40,463	263,066	363,193	173,775	237,683
Queensland .. .. .	9,070	67,400	86,427	43,222	55,631
South Australia .. .. .	6,670	56,001	93,031	33,275	51,472
Western Australia .. .. .	6,137	40,258	60,236	29,874	42,525
Tasmania .. .. .	1,292	12,529	20,711	13,315	13,049
Northern Territory .. .. .	34	640	720	500	642
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..
Australia .. .. .	116,754	743,871	1,053,423	514,109	681,539
EXPORTS.(a)					
New South Wales .. .. .	45,903	325,637	201,460	270,082	263,175
Victoria .. .. .	30,819	265,044	185,994	228,118	203,581
Queensland .. .. .	28,652	160,332	95,975	145,098	165,105
South Australia .. .. .	14,841	107,674	97,251	122,948	110,249
Western Australia .. .. .	17,070	98,843	75,781	83,143	68,424
Tasmania .. .. .	3,198	24,257	18,512	21,849	17,733
Northern Territory .. .. .	13	9	35	34	30
Australia .. .. .	140,496	981,796	675,008	871,272	828,297

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

## OVERSEA TRADE—AUSTRALIA.

(f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.
1938-39 ..	£A'000 257,250	£A'000 116,754	£A'000 135,476	£A'000 5,020	£A'000 140,496	£ 37.1	£ 16.8	£ 19.6	£ 0.7	£ 20.3
1950-51 ..	1,725,667	743,871	975,614	6,182	981,796	207.6	89.5	117.4	0.7	118.1
1951-52 ..	1,728,431	1,053,423	667,059	7,949	675,008	202.4	123.4	78.1	0.9	79.0
1952-53 ..	1,383,381	514,109	863,291	7,981	871,272	158.4	58.8	98.7	0.9	99.6
1953-54 ..	1,509,836	681,539	820,022	8,275	828,297	169.3	76.4	92.0	0.9	92.9
Six months ended—										
Dec., 1953	760,840	318,082	438,769	3,989	442,758	85.9	35.9	49.6	0.4	50.0
Dec., 1954	756,525	302,134	360,023	4,368	364,391	83.8	43.5	39.8	0.5	40.3

(a) Excludes the value of stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The values of Ships' stores in £A'000 were: 1938-39, £2,106; 1950-51, £9,368; 1951-52, £10,478; 1952-53, £11,696; and 1953-54, £10,266.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)		
	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
1938-39 .. .. .	113,217	3,537	116,754	121,533	18,963	140,496	+8,316	+15,426	+23,742
1950-51 .. .. .	741,378	2,493	743,871	979,096	2,700	981,796	+237,718	+207	+237,925
1951-52 .. .. .	1,049,751	3,672	1,053,423	665,240	9,768	675,008	-384,511	+6,096	-378,415
1952-53 .. .. .	510,342	3,767	514,109	848,498	22,774	871,272	+338,156	+19,007	+357,163
1953-54 .. .. .	678,521	3,018	681,539	811,831	16,466	828,297	+133,310	+13,448	+146,758
Six months ended—									
Dec., 1953	317,203	879	318,082	432,967	9,791	442,758	+115,764	+8,912	+124,676
Dec., 1954	390,933	1,201	392,134	358,925	5,466	364,391	- 32,008	+4,265	-27,743

**IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.**  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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OVERSEA TRADE.

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Borneo (British).	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	South Africa, Union of.	Bahrain Islands.	Belgium. (a)	Brazil.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	667	..	303	..	1	..	302	..	289	..	..	..
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	488	133	..	8,934	704	79	116	26	153	..	5	295
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	854	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	956	..	51	..	..	..	..	..	52	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	45	..	..	..	1	1	148	1	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances, not foodstuffs ..	195	..	14	..	293	..	551	..	25	..	1	..
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	362	2	..	136	680	72	441	..	195	2	16	732
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	32,421	..	308	8	10,202	4	36	3	1	..	1,403	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	4,579	8,533	..	..	293	1	195	1,187	100	7,883	26	103
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	1,152	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	240	..	881	12	98	112	33	..	781	31	3	1
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	94,052	..	4,622	25	16	118	188	7	172	..	2,105	..
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,764	31	22	9	14	4,801	10	2	2	..	1	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	167	528	2,233	..	2	548	668	7	..	..	5	218
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	4,716	..	48	..	5	..	26	..	1	..	887	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	9,611	..	1,913	..	77	..	755	..	4	..	86	..
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	1,838	..	6	11	30	1	2	..	413	..	72	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	2,731	..	105	..	..	3	2	6	..	..	30	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	6,704	..	115	15	10	4	10	..	119	..	53	5
20. Miscellaneous ..	12,002	7	515	148	101	28	134	10	82	12	325	10
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	239	..	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1954 ..	175,489	9,234	11,139	9,298	12,527	5,772	3,856	1,249	2,392	7,928	4,969	1,364
December, 1953 ..	155,103	3,452	9,189	6,510	9,060	4,178	3,041	4,872	1,744	8,276	2,677	835
Year 1953-54 ..	331,701	8,439	18,742	13,490	18,475	8,721	6,854	8,529	3,375	16,410	7,063	1,851
" 1952-53 ..	214,702	5,998	19,546	9,786	14,646	5,798	3,999	5,858	3,101	14,912	5,506	901
" 1951-52 ..	465,706	6,903	23,559	11,173	47,825	18,632	7,410	8,764	4,418	13,068	27,528	7,365
" 1938-39 ..	46,094	215	8,806	957	3,272	1,029	2,087	(b)	291	744	1,122	81

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.

(b) Included with Federation of Malaya.

**Imports into Australia of the Produce or Manufacture of the Undermentioned Countries—continued.**  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods.	Czecho- slovakia.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Norway.	Iran (Persia.)	Sweden.	United States of America.	Total, All Coun- tries.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	19	5	148	..	55	450	24	527	..	9	45	3,353
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	..	18	19	579	370	1	871	..	..	5	21	15,740
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	1	88	5	..	21	..	13	..	..	..	1	1,010
4. Tobacco ..	..	1	4	39	10	..	59	1	..	..	2,794	6,935
5. Live animals ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	205
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	..	17	10	1	..	34	5	20	..	13	42	1,824
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufac- tures; plastic moulding ma- terials and synthetic fibres ..	..	64	191	404	94	36	79	18	10	54	2,266	9,410
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	584	2,238	1,865	5	2,503	3,925	2,318	7	5	22	264	62,533
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	594	72	10,640	477	192	205	5	67	10	3,742	46,719
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	4	234	..	6	31	16	2	..	..	916	2,559
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	..	3	29	..	21	78	11	7	..	29	1,284	4,089
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	167	2,232	6,372	..	886	625	1,647	804	..	1,380	27,527	147,630
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	4	135	66	99	87	12	2	..	..	10	409	7,955
14. Wood and wicker ..	10	29	35	153	25	80	11	105	3	692	1,340	7,514
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	267	146	348	2	120	289	58	11	..	182	242	7,519
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures and stationery ..	54	112	434	..	120	555	384	1,317	..	3,406	693	21,049
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	99	100	1,467	..	156	287	62	32	..	39	14	6,187
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	19	86	812	..	159	54	70	..	..	20	770	5,188
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	4	563	1,613	2	181	140	403	89	..	125	1,086	13,454
20. Miscellaneous ..	62	241	1,024	75	606	158	404	87	..	226	2,115	20,660
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1,201
Six months ended—												
December, 1954 ..	1,290	6,676	14,748	11,999	5,897	6,947	6,642	3,032	85	6,222	45,574	392,134
December, 1953 ..	1,080	6,429	9,779	10,068	5,771	2,219	4,123	1,847	28	5,000	31,545	318,082
Year 1953-54 ..	2,147	11,793	21,365	21,972	11,182	6,545	9,618	4,737	47	10,230	78,254	681,539
" 1952-53 ..	1,019	9,253	13,582	21,544	5,225	4,692	5,954	2,420	323	6,786	85,168	514,109
" 1951-52 ..	6,513	22,390	32,718	25,530	27,712	43,582	14,975	11,650	2,292	27,537	109,141	1,053,423
" 1950-51 ..	5,984	16,414	14,665	21,788	16,655	15,595	8,231	4,962	15,962	16,298	60,878	743,871
" 1938-39 ..	572	1,172	(a) 4,710	8,117	781	4,666	799	432	956	1,079	16,699	(b) 116,754

(a) Pre-War Germany.

(b) Includes outside packages not distributed according to countries.



**EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.**  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Ceylon.	Hong Kong.	India.	Ireland, Republic of.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	Union of South Africa.	Belgium. (a)	Egypt.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	44,355	732	718	760	1,162	2	1,315	46	2,163	33	236	598
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	28,040	4,367	1,986	965	5,049	623	1,802	6,157	2,178	13	1,236	337
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	188	130	1	6	5	..	16	77	22	..	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	1	..	..	19	1	..	..	81	157	..	4	..
6. Animal substances, not food-stuffs ..	54,059	1,017	..	293	291	997	..	257	22	451	12,235	66
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	60	1	..	..	2	..	1	193	2	12	1	2
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	116	38	..	10	5	..	1	443	5	7	11	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	325	1	59	19	117	..	24	104	398	15	3	2
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	11	..	3	4	2	..	2	213	11	1	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	2,034	25	..	..	12	..	..	269	3	13	927	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	10,628	30	52	87	1,717	..	314	6,564	450	563	98	4
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	665	4	1	236	8	..	16	223	74	58	6	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	225	12	..	4	..	1	5	571	12	10	1	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	3	..	..	3	12	..	..	505	6	1	..	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	165	2	5	1	18	..	1	913	36	17	..	..
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time-pieces ..	20	5	5	1	..	..	1	112	25	25	1	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	66	1	..	7	1	..	2	346	14	19	1	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	256	12	16	44	38	..	75	826	58	35	46	9
20. Miscellaneous ..	766	21	42	51	17	..	71	1,201	132	20	1	1
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	111	..	1,188	4,087	..	..	..	28	..	..	..	..
Six months ended—												
December, 1954 ..	142,098	6,398	4,076	6,597	8,457	1,624	3,646	19,154	5,768	1,293	14,807	1,019
December, 1953 ..	163,736	7,517	5,552	2,479	9,328	1,108	5,153	17,105	5,886	2,207	17,857	1,872
Year 1953-54 ..	390,730	11,037	11,847	7,773	14,293	2,186	9,143	33,469	11,288	3,588	32,663	3,073
" 1952-53 ..	359,257	8,712	14,687	4,855	17,148	4,354	9,344	28,677	12,794	3,640	32,141	3,374
" 1951-52 ..	208,159	9,177	10,630	3,800	16,911	2,426	8,532	37,321	11,810	3,528	24,940	8,976
" 1950-51 ..	320,605	17,212	8,950	5,968	21,981	3,055	8,214	20,265	10,875	4,178	48,245	22,306
" 1938-39 ..	68,716	1,994	1,327	475	1,965	327	1,911	6,682	(b)	813	5,547	601

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.

(b) Included with Federation of Malaya.

OVERSEA TRADE.

**Exports from Australia to the Undermentioned Countries—continued.**  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

OVERSEA TRADE.

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Classes of Goods.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Iran. (Persia.)	Poland.	Sweden.	U.S.S.R.	United States of America.	Total, All Countries.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	70	512	88	208	212	267	5	..	10	..	813	59,620
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	123	4,326	1,510	40	2,882	1,887	..	..	68	..	32	68,573
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	..	11	..	36	..	..	..	..	..	1	771
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	9	5	..	..	..	..	..	186
5. Live animals ..	..	..	..	..	24	2	..	..	..	..	12	495
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	31,834	10,717	14	15,052	17,595	696	91	2,932	704	..	14,246	171,398
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufac- tures; plastic moulding ma- terials and synthetic fibres ..	1	1	..	1	3	2	..	..	1	..	182	514
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	8	15	3	200	3	3	..	..	1	..	85	1,432
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	1	547	3	2	107	957	..	..	1	..	22	3,297
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	4	12	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	467
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	139	177	..	472	517	234	..	4	159	..	2,382	8,617
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	141	259	149	212	161	136	5	..	90	..	5,138	30,141
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	2	..	3	3	..	..	..	..	11	..	12	1,572
14. Wood and wicker ..	..	3	..	1	..	13	..	..	1	..	4	1,148
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	665
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures and stationery ..	2	..	1	12	1	..	..	..	6	..	10	1,412
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	1	17	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	44	318
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	2	3	3	1	10	..	..	..	2	..	84	707
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	24	22	11	..	139	4	..	..	9	..	178	2,311
20. Miscellaneous ..	8	23	8	12	605	12	..	1	17	..	147	5,281
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	5,466
Six months ended—												
December, 1954 ..	32,356	16,626	1,816	16,217	22,304	4,219	101	2,937	1,081	..	23,410	364,391
December, 1953 ..	43,891	13,468	3,940	28,119	26,451	2,742	61	3,133	1,622	12,482	28,415	442,758
Year 1953-54 ..	74,401	27,096	6,585	51,326	55,689	5,578	198	7,286	3,601	26,146	55,534	828,297
„ 1952-53 ..	76,016	22,366	5,064	44,706	83,958	8,081	327	3,644	2,888	1,642	57,837	871,272
„ 1951-52 ..	57,875	20,839	3,967	37,998	48,514	11,353	439	5,008	6,086	..	77,215	675,008
„ 1950-51 ..	89,820	27,737	3,243	49,010	61,550	11,240	1,280	14,785	12,426	8,396	148,830	981,796
„ 1938-39 ..	9,386	(a) 2,652	1,830	1,211	4,865	1,039	3	426	637	278	19,562	140,496

(a) Pre-War Germany.

## CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

(£A'000.)

Division.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CUSTOMS.</b>				
1. Ale, Spirits and Beverages ..	706	750	1,208	1,489
2. Tobacco and Manufactures thereof	5,126	3,992	10,318	8,009
3. Sugar .. .. .	1	1	1	5
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	405	476	789	1,016
5. Textiles, &c. and Attire ..	2,551	2,733	4,613	6,206
6. Metals and Machinery .. ..	2,665	3,626	5,334	7,524
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	7,187	5,726	13,886	11,309
8. Earthenware, &c. .. .. .	405	573	719	1,168
9. Drugs and Chemicals .. .. .	175	262	328	520
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane .. ..	244	391	459	715
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	778	1,064	1,302	2,126
12. Leather and Rubber .. .. .	319	428	610	868
13. Paper and Stationery .. .. .	203	336	375	739
14. Vehicles .. .. .	1,215	2,133	2,466	4,539
15. Musical Instruments .. .. .	16	21	25	43
16. Miscellaneous .. .. .	594	796	1,091	1,614
Primage .. .. .	2,246	2,120	4,363	4,367
Ships' Stores .. .. .	16	20	61	47
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	197	142	408	292
<b>Total Customs .. .. .</b>	<b>25,049</b>	<b>25,590</b>	<b>48,356</b>	<b>52,596</b>
<b>EXCISE.</b>				
Beer .. .. .	20,013	21,626	35,832	38,284
Cigarette Papers and Tubes .. ..	284	266	542	518
Coal .. .. .	163	164	306	323
Matches .. .. .	293	284	559	564
Petrol .. .. .	1,128	3,229	2,059	6,366
Playing Cards .. .. .	17	14	29	25
Spirits .. .. .	1,710	1,583	3,397	3,429
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff	10,108	11,481	19,491	21,645
Other Excise, including Licences ..	124	137	222	266
<b>Total Excise .. .. .</b>	<b>33,840</b>	<b>38,784</b>	<b>62,437</b>	<b>71,420</b>
<b>Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections .. .. .</b>	<b>58,889</b>	<b>64,374</b>	<b>110,793</b>	<b>124,016</b>
<b>Refunds and Drawback paid ..</b>	<b>1,192</b>	<b>1,431</b>	<b>2,539</b>	<b>3,035</b>
<b>TOTAL NET REVENUE ..</b>	<b>57,697</b>	<b>62,943</b>	<b>108,254</b>	<b>120,981</b>

## VALUE OF COMMODITIES IMPORTED INTO AUSTRALIA.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.				
Cheese .. .. .	47	83	75	168
Fish—				
Fresh or preserved by cold process ..	301	334	545	619
Preserved in airtight containers ..	530	785	873	1,697
Other .. .. .	131	126	207	261
Lactose .. .. .	68	26	128	52
Meats—				
Sausage casings .. .. .	130	193	262	404
Other .. .. .	10	7	590	25
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	55	56	98	127
Total, Class I. .. ..	1,272	1,610	2,778	3,353
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN ; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.				
Cocoa butter .. .. .	421	501	844	1,266
Cocoa beans, cocoa mass, paste or slab ..	64	181	277	1,212
Coffee and chicory .. .. .	497	518	1,153	1,045
Confectionery, including cocoa and chocolate .. .. .	32	58	63	128
Dates (dried) .. .. .	82	209	84	209
Grain and pulse .. .. .	53	18	187	150
Hops .. .. .	78	20	199	84
Nuts, edible .. .. .	407	252	806	624
Pickles and sauces .. .. .	26	36	38	59
Sago and tapioca .. .. .	20	10	60	32
Spices .. .. .	156	217	321	442
Sugar and sugar syrups .. .. .	65	34	80	66
Tea .. .. .	2,841	3,708	6,248	9,796
Vegetables, preserved in airtight containers	14	145	19	290
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin ..	99	196	209	337
Total, Class II. .. ..	4,855	6,103	10,588	15,740
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale, beer, porter, cider and perry ..	14	7	20	19
Spirits (beverages)—				
Whisky .. .. .	259	438	378	788
Other .. .. .	46	80	61	144
Wine, fermented .. .. .	19	36	29	59
Total, Class III. .. ..	338	561	488	1,010



**Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.**  
**(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment).**

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.</b>				
Cigarettes .. .. .	1,596	492	3,423	1,061
Cigars .. .. .	39	38	58	58
Snuff .. .. .	1	..	1	..
Tobacco—				
Manufactured .. .. .	28	36	56	59
Unmanufactured .. .. .	2,762	3,630	4,888	5,757
Total, Class IV. .. .. .	4,426	4,196	8,426	6,935
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS .. .. .</b>				
	57	65	162	205
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b>				
Coarse hair and fibre .. .. .	224	123	367	253
Hides and skins—				
Calf and cattle .. .. .	55	43	93	80
Furred skins .. .. .	127	143	210	295
Goat .. .. .	43	58	82	174
Other .. .. .	20	26	39	43
Shells .. .. .	70	56	110	117
Silk, raw .. .. .	14	22	36	35
Wool .. .. .	566	250	980	733
Other animal substances .. .. .	34	43	91	94
Total, Class VI. .. .. .	1,153	764	2,008	1,824
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.</b>				
Copra .. .. .	579	402	1,018	1,062
Cork and manufactures .. .. .	107	149	201	287
Fibres—				
Coir .. .. .	65	56	152	116
Cotton, raw .. .. .	1,756	1,606	3,506	4,284
Flax and hemp .. .. .	33	28	100	68
Jute .. .. .	222	265	290	384
Kapok .. .. .	128	99	251	221
Synthetic fibres and filaments .. .. .	201	302	440	553
Other .. .. .	480	270	849	687
Gums and resins .. .. .	269	254	533	631
Seeds—				
Gardening, agricultural and horticultural .. .. .	190	230	408	593
Oil seeds .. .. .	143	55	207	133
Tanning substances .. .. .	160	135	279	274
Other vegetable substances .. .. .	67	62	112	117
Total, Class VII. .. .. .	4,400	3,913	8,346	9,410

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.</b>				
<i>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Bags and sacks—				
Corn and flour .. .. .	349	1,589	2,860	5,028
Woolpacks .. .. .	126	480	479	1,059
Other .. .. .	43	23	50	42
Cordage and twines and manufac- tures thereof .. .. .	99	89	170	189
Sewing and other cotton ..	643	480	1,201	1,019
Yarns—				
Cotton .. .. .	856	712	1,499	1,547
Hair .. .. .	56	22	171	76
Synthetic fibre .. .. .	2,438	2,063	5,195	4,394
Woollen .. .. .	53	44	84	100
Other .. .. .	22	16	41	40
Total, Class VIII.(a) .. ..	4,685	5,518	11,750	13,494
<i>(b) Textiles—</i>				
Blankets and blanketing ..	62	49	121	102
Floor coverings .. .. .	2,579	2,395	4,210	6,096
Articles of furnishing, drapery and napery—				
Handkerchiefs, serviettes and tablecloths .. .. .	345	390	657	930
Other .. .. .	166	158	272	337
Piece-goods—				
Canvas and duck .. .. .	359	409	711	734
Cotton and linen .. .. .	9,561	8,185	18,582	21,330
Fabrics and felts, impregnated..	208	218	406	492
Jute, including hessians and brattice cloth .. .. .	605	539	1,342	1,229
Synthetic fibre .. .. .	3,463	3,286	6,817	7,971
Silk .. .. .	177	187	350	465
Velvets, velveteens, &c. ..	251	312	384	533
Woollen .. .. .	381	388	560	682
Felts .. .. .	97	105	178	222
Other .. .. .	252	222	461	488
Towels and towelling .. ..	300	352	489	748
Other textiles .. .. .	191	140	301	324
Total, Class VIII.(b) .. ..	18,997	17,335	35,841	42,683
<i>(c) Apparel—</i>				
Buttons, including snap fasteners	98	76	179	159
Footwear .. .. .	137	210	260	496
Garments—				
Knitted—				
Hosiery .. .. .	212	336	341	575
Outerwear .. .. .	30	102	56	189
Underwear .. .. .	50	67	88	134
Other .. .. .	16	19	33	44

**Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.**  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—continued.</b>				
<i>(c) Apparel—continued.</i>				
Garments—continued.				
Not knitted—				
Outerwear—				
Men's and boys' .. ..	48	76	110	153
Women's and girls' ..	89	102	128	176
Sleeping wear, underwear, shirts and other sewn garments .. ..	53	91	78	147
Gloves .. ..	339	362	646	829
Hats and caps .. ..	261	206	452	485
Trimmings and ornaments—				
Embroidery in the piece ..	81	105	145	229
Lace, nets and veilings ..	635	605	1,238	1,413
Ribbons and galloons ..	117	80	204	219
Other .. ..	268	260	473	570
Other apparel .. ..	284	269	500	538
Total, Class VIII.(c) .. ..	2,718	2,966	4,931	6,356
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	26,400	25,819	52,522	62,533
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>				
Fats, greases and waxes .. ..	141	332	283	737
Oils—				
Castor .. ..	119	82	202	95
Linseed .. ..	356	177	714	701
Olive .. ..	169	154	307	355
Peanut (china) .. ..	62	64	152	177
Petroleum—				
Crude .. ..	2,061	5,535	4,136	11,691
Kerosene .. ..	1,596	1,579	3,528	3,793
Lubricating (mineral) .. ..	672	1,189	1,376	2,530
Residual and solar .. ..	4,481	3,421	9,137	8,016
Spirit .. ..	9,748	7,918	19,791	16,871
Turpentine substitutes .. ..	185	222	415	463
Other .. ..	89	122	199	281
Tung (china wood) .. ..	73	92	179	162
Other .. ..	144	415	289	847
Total, Class IX. .. ..	19,896	21,302	40,708	46,719
<b>CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>				
Colour pigments—				
Black .. ..	236	337	573	718
Titanium oxide and titanium white ..	492	279	635	479
Other .. ..	181	212	304	452
Dyes, natural and synthetic .. ..	416	372	734	777
Paints, colours and varnishes .. ..	67	66	120	133
Total, Class X. .. ..	1,392	1,266	2,366	2,559

**Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.**  
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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.</b>				
Abrasives (natural) .. .. .	85	137	163	271
Asbestos .. .. .	568	912	992	1,623
Sulphur .. .. .	606	622	1,234	1,254
Other rocks, minerals, &c. .. .	310	490	566	941
Total, Class XI. .. .. .	1,569	2,161	2,955	4,089
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.</b>				
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Aluminium and aluminium-base alloys (excluding wire and cable)	600	1,048	1,371	1,786
Bolts, nuts, rivets and washers ..	143	160	297	326
Chain and chains of base metal ..	144	130	277	290
Copper and copper-base alloys (excluding wire and cable) ..	180	3,099	378	4,504
Cutlery .. .. .	638	531	1,143	1,200
Fencing posts and droppers ..	54	199	63	450
Heating and cooking appliances ..	276	275	548	582
Iron and steel (including special ferro-alloys)—				
Bars, rods, hoop, ingots, &c. . .	445	1,859	776	3,134
Ferro-alloys (mainly in lump form) .. .. .	29	202	142	347
Pig, scrap and powder .. .. .	3	2	5	5
Pipes, tubes and fittings therefor .. .. .	735	522	1,309	1,256
Plate and sheet—				
Galvanized .. .. .	348	1,681	630	3,428
Plain .. .. .	590	1,734	1,170	3,604
Tinned, plated, polished and decorated .. ..	1,150	3,489	2,462	6,360
Structural .. .. .	259	720	494	1,323
Kitchenware .. .. .	93	91	157	203
Lamps and lampware .. .. .	83	101	170	223
Leaf and foil .. .. .	191	199	338	399
Meters and parts .. .. .	603	584	1,323	1,267
Pins, hooks, eyes, needles and slide fasteners .. .. .	64	55	124	139
Tin .. .. .	184	64	350	121
Tools of trade .. .. .	868	1,050	1,641	2,182
<i>Vehicles—</i>				
Aircraft and parts .. .. .	2,192	2,111	3,783	3,274
Cycles and cycle parts .. .. .	176	140	309	306
Motor cycles, side-cars, &c. ..	296	347	546	748
Motor vehicles—				
Bodies and parts .. .. .	2,073	2,683	3,964	5,480
Chassis and parts .. .. .	9,123	11,965	19,197	26,015
Railway and tramway vehicles (including trolley buses) and parts .. .. .	936	252	2,042	709
Other and parts .. .. .	1,584	1,912	3,408	4,243



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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.</b>				
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—continued.</i>				
Wire, single strand—				
Iron and steel .. ..	83	394	139	784
Copper and copper base alloys ..	100	17	173	89
Other .. ..	75	56	147	122
Wire manufactures—*				
Aluminium and aluminium-base alloy electrical conductor ..	201	11	555	86
Iron and steel .. ..	325	469	587	860
Other .. ..	11	8	36	18
Other metals and semi-manufactures† .. ..	440	443	761	833
Other metal manufactures .. ..	2,701	2,219	4,822	4,790
Total, Class XII.(a) .. ..	27,996	40,822	55,637	81,486
<i>(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and accumulators .. ..	81	104	180	188
Cable and wire, covered .. ..	485	300	1,184	892
Communication equipment including radio .. ..	537	743	1,202	1,848
Dynamo electrical machines—				
Electrical motors .. ..	570	805	1,190	1,555
Other .. ..	749	613	2,024	1,835
Heating and cooking appliances ..	130	223	204	490
Ignition equipment for internal combustion engines—				
Sparking plugs and parts ..	130	102	230	274
Other .. ..	51	55	116	137
Lamps, bulbs, tubes, &c. .. ..	274	412	533	820
Measuring and recording instruments .. ..	110	110	236	314
Protective equipment .. ..	130	142	252	324
Regulating, starting and controlling apparatus .. ..	1,057	934	2,074	2,086
Transformers and rectifiers .. ..	930	479	1,975	1,092
Other electrical machinery and appliances .. ..	501	605	905	1,323
Total, Class XII.(b) .. ..	5,735	5,627	12,305	13,178
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Air and gas compressors .. ..	202	324	451	616
Agricultural, horticultural, &c., machinery—				
Harvesting .. ..	415	769	946	2,037
Other .. ..	872	675	2,059	1,278
Cranes, hoists and other lifting machinery .. ..	513	248	901	579
Dairying machinery .. ..	152	182	329	362
Electrical power station machinery ..	201	21	1,016	149
Hand tools (power driven) .. ..	425	473	724	935

\* For cable and wire, covered, see Class XII.(b).  
in the rough and pipes and tubes flexible or coated.

† Includes all basic shapes, castings and forgings

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.</b>				
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—continued.</i>				
Household machines (except sewing and refrigerating)—				
Vacuum cleaners .. ..	63	190	123	392
Washing machines .. ..	244	283	323	618
Other .. ..	106	172	246	353
Metal-working machinery—				
Machine tools .. ..	1,120	1,058	2,536	2,308
Other .. ..	534	797	1,388	1,474
Motive power (including electrical) machinery—				
Aircraft engines and parts ..	1,590	1,057	2,445	2,432
Power boilers and parts ..	457	232	1,073	401
Tractors and parts ..	4,513	5,022	8,799	10,577
Turbines and parts ..	440	258	1,171	746
Other and parts ..	3,492	2,882	6,040	6,375
Office and accounting machines ..	1,079	1,272	1,980	2,502
Oil refining machinery .. ..	293	252	1,092	649
Printing machinery .. ..	324	385	642	938
Pumps .. ..	277	226	498	474
Refrigerating appliances .. ..	421	330	619	682
Roller and ball bearings .. ..	573	536	1,169	1,101
Sewing machines .. ..	631	1,274	1,249	2,126
Stone-cutting, road-making and mining machinery .. ..	1,185	1,841	2,458	4,096
Textile-working machinery and appliances—				
Knitting machines .. ..	274	246	557	601
Other .. ..	548	492	1,097	1,306
Other machines and machinery ..	2,604	3,517	5,848	6,859
Total, Class XII.(c) .. ..	23,548	25,014	47,779	52,966
Total, Class XII. .. ..	57,279	71,463	115,721	147,630
<b>CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.</b>				
<i>(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures—</i>				
Rubber—				
Crude, waste and masticated ..	1,951	3,100	4,142	5,415
Substitutes .. ..	38	68	78	124
Rubber manufactures—				
Elastics and rubber thread ..	232	225	469	606
Tyres and tubes .. ..	323	411	582	1,019
Other .. ..	187	204	341	447
Total, Class XIII.(a) .. ..	2,731	4,008	5,612	7,611
<i>(b) Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather .. ..	92	80	175	177
Leather manufactures .. ..	50	78	101	167
Total, Class XIII.(b) .. ..	142	158	276	344
Total, Class XIII. .. ..	2,873	4,166	5,888	7,955

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.</b>				
Manufactures of wood and wicker, including plywood and veneers .. ..	261	346	450	648
Timber—				
Dressed, bent or cut into shape .. ..	289	560	536	979
Undressed (including logs) .. ..	2,132	3,220	4,141	5,785
Wicker, bamboo and cane .. ..	65	54	130	102
<b>Total, Class XIV.</b> .. ..	<b>2,747</b>	<b>4,180</b>	<b>5,257</b>	<b>7,514</b>
<b>CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.</b>				
Abrasives (synthetic) .. ..	193	194	334	418
Cement .. ..	108	282	328	465
Crockery and other householdware .. ..	1,042	1,130	1,782	2,595
Glass .. ..	805	892	1,569	2,047
Glassware .. ..	382	591	690	1,165
Porcelain for electrical purposes .. ..	85	44	160	111
Tiles .. ..	228	257	398	571
Other earthenware, china, &c. .. ..	84	87	163	147
<b>Total, Class XV.</b> .. ..	<b>2,927</b>	<b>3,477</b>	<b>5,424</b>	<b>7,519</b>
<b>CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.</b>				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board—</i>				
Millboard and other boards .. ..	275	476	494	925
Paper—				
Printings—				
Newsprint .. ..	2,628	2,809	5,263	5,503
Other .. ..	765	1,148	1,521	2,271
Tissue and tissue cap (including cigarette) .. ..	289	530	696	1,108
Wrapping and bag papers .. ..	730	917	1,347	1,898
Writing and typewriting .. ..	308	413	698	761
Other .. ..	303	338	570	815
Pulp for manufacturing paper .. ..	834	1,172	1,564	2,463
<b>Total, Class XVI.(a)</b> .. ..	<b>6,132</b>	<b>7,803</b>	<b>12,153</b>	<b>15,744</b>
(b) <i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (printed), directories, &c. .. ..	1,499	1,442	3,159	3,056
Pens and pencils—				
Fountain pens and propelling pencils .. ..	327	342	533	625
Other .. ..	73	100	115	184
Other paper manufactures, stationery, &c. .. ..	541	624	965	1,440
<b>Total, Class XVI.(b)</b> .. ..	<b>2,440</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>4,772</b>	<b>5,305</b>
<b>Total, Class XVI.</b> .. ..	<b>8,572</b>	<b>10,311</b>	<b>16,925</b>	<b>21,049</b>

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES.</b>				
Fancy goods .. .. .	320	492	502	966
Jewellery, including imitation jewellery ..	327	488	501	984
Precious stones, unset .. .. .	350	400	522	624
Sporting material .. .. .	100	138	181	311
Timepieces—				
Clocks and clock movements .. .. .	155	330	304	721
Watches and watch movements .. .. .	474	669	819	1,139
Toys .. .. .	512	603	910	1,442
Total, Class XVII. .. .. .	2,238	3,120	3,739	6,187
<b>CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.</b>				
Cameras and magic lanterns and accessories therefor .. .. .	352	475	482	876
Cinematographs .. .. .	96	153	152	291
Films for cinematographs .. .. .	414	448	807	869
Photographic goods .. .. .	100	128	169	262
Instruments and materials—				
Optical and ophthalmic .. .. .	313	319	490	742
Surgical and dental .. .. .	487	509	892	1,047
Other scientific instruments and appliances .. .. .	530	468	980	1,101
Total, Class XVIII. .. .. .	2,292	2,500	3,972	5,188
<b>CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.</b>				
Acids .. .. .	98	355	200	670
Alcohols and spirits .. .. .	(a)	179	(a)	416
Drugs and medicinal preparations—				
Antibiotics .. .. .	(a)	449	(a)	867
Vitamin and vitamin preparations .. .. .	(a)	128	(a)	269
Other .. .. .	(a)	1,243	(a)	2,315
Essential oils .. .. .	85	116	200	260
Fertilizers—				
Potash salts .. .. .	1,016	68	1,684	285
Rock phosphates .. .. .		562		1,171
Other .. .. .		309		815
Perfumery and toilet preparations .. .. .	131	198	232	385
Soap and soap substitutes .. .. .	116	142	197	266
Sodium cyanide .. .. .	(a)	31	(a)	90
Tetraethyl lead .. .. .	(a)	164	(a)	296
Inorganic compounds, n.e.i. .. .. .	(a)	965	(a)	1,844
Organic compounds, n.e.i. .. .. .	(a)	1,663	(a)	3,080
Chemical materials and products, n.e.i. ..	(a)	216	(a)	425
Total, Class XIX. .. .. .	4,826	6,788	8,861	13,454

(a) Not available separately.



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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Antiques, paintings, works of art ..	70	123	110	237
Arms, ammunition and explosives ..	297	352	469	948
Bags, baskets, purses, wallets, &c. ..	165	244	285	545
Brushware .. ..	78	86	132	190
Military, Naval and Air Force, stores and equipment ..	1,195	504	2,087	1,130
Musical instruments and parts—				
Gramophones, &c., including records ..	353	246	572	499
Other .. ..	120	154	189	326
Outside packages .. ..	3,068	3,439	6,108	7,337
Packings for engines, boilers, &c. ..	238	292	457	623
Passengers' effects .. ..	627	666	1,390	1,284
Piece-goods manufactured from synthetic resins .. ..	117	100	207	219
Prefabricated buildings .. ..	1,244	253	3,468	738
Synthetic resins .. ..	1,328	1,195	2,522	2,410
Vessels (ships) .. ..	886	1,413	1,088	1,454
Wall and ceiling boards, parts and decorations .. ..	130	198	210	374
All other articles .. ..	413	872	775	1,746
Total, Class XX. .. ..	10,329	10,137	20,069	20,060
Total, Merchandise .. ..	159,841	183,902	317,203	390,933
<b>CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE.</b>				
Gold, including gold in matte .. ..	302	676	853	1,173
Silver, including silver in matte .. ..	9	19	26	28
Total, Class XXI. .. ..	311	695	879	1,201
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
Importing States—				
New South Wales .. ..	64,380	75,168	127,312	155,443
Victoria .. ..	57,381	67,489	112,737	141,508
Queensland .. ..	13,824	15,166	27,169	34,227
South Australia .. ..	11,271	13,424	24,060	30,611
Western Australia .. ..	10,548	10,418	20,695	23,331
Tasmania .. ..	2,738	2,918	5,841	6,812
Northern Territory .. ..	10	14	268	202
GRAND TOTAL .. ..	160,152	184,597	318,082	392,134

## VALUE OF COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

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Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.</b>				
Butter .. .. .	4,926	7,995	6,942	9,856
Cheese .. .. .	1,979	1,976	2,517	2,525
Eggs .. .. .	3,649	3,039	5,402	4,260
Fish, fresh or preserved by cold process ..	80	96	175	218
Ghee .. .. .	143	96	247	181
Honey .. .. .	103	180	279	345
Infants' and invalids' foods .. .. .	597	231	1,118	641
Margarine .. .. .	2	24	44	32
Meats—				
Bacon and hams .. .. .	211	126	409	241
Potted or concentrated, including meat extracts .. .. .	211	139	545	465
Preserved by cold process—				
Beef and veal .. .. .	5,230	5,665	15,183	12,695
Lamb .. .. .	1,888	6,513	2,002	7,319
Mutton .. .. .	403	558	784	822
Offals .. .. .	449	808	1,042	1,320
Pork .. .. .	100	178	267	479
Poultry .. .. .	160	118	454	406
Rabbit and hare .. .. .	420	201	1,530	763
Preserved in airtight containers ..	5,295	4,520	11,247	11,771
Sausage casings .. .. .	340	522	618	901
Other .. .. .	104	208	228	412
Milk and cream—				
Preserved, condensed, concentrated ..	1,994	1,081	2,909	1,521
Dried, including malted .. .. .	1,540	1,262	2,228	2,210
Other foodstuffs of animal origin ..	163	112	307	237
Total, Class I. .. .. .	29,987	35,648	56,477	59,620
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.</b>				
Biscuits, cakes and puddings .. .. .	94	106	227	210
Confectionery, cocoa and chocolate ..	95	90	242	167
Foods for animals .. .. .	206	120	759	258
Fruit juices, syrups and substitutes ..	124	58	376	321
Fruit—				
Dried—				
Currants .. .. .	91	72	522	499
Raisins .. .. .	516	1,154	3,211	3,761
Other .. .. .	253	140	344	485
Fresh—				
Apples .. .. .	8	29	305	271
Citrus .. .. .	381	337	689	657
Other .. .. .	4	8	47	24
Frozen .. .. .	9	..	90	..
Preserved in airtight containers ..	1,200	700	3,633	5,566
Pulped .. .. .	90	31	220	118

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—*continued*.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES</b>				
<i>—continued.</i>				
Grain and pulse—				
Prepared—				
Breakfast foods .. .. .	252	97	526	179
Flour (wheaten)—				
Plain white .. .. .	6,460	4,250	16,898	8,448
Other .. .. .	241	168	440	400
Rice .. .. .	1,053	370	1,963	1,071
Other .. .. .	284	219	514	481
Unprepared—				
Barley .. .. .	530	178	4,490	2,991
Maize .. .. .	107	81	352	82
Oats .. .. .	367	63	738	278
Peas (not split) .. .. .	31	86	173	139
Sorghum .. .. .	1	417	865	500
Wheat .. .. .	6,673	12,770	19,493	21,129
Other .. .. .	44	92	279	287
Jams and fruit jellies .. .. .	62	92	208	228
Soups .. .. .	211	105	298	203
Sugar (cane) .. .. .	13,524	8,060	22,327	19,054
Tea .. .. .	46	102	92	175
Vegetables—				
Preserved in liquid or pulped .. .. .	235	57	337	127
Other .. .. .	100	84	238	221
Other foodstuffs of vegetable origin .. .. .	105	136	232	243
Total, Class II. .. .. .	33,397	30,272	81,128	68,573
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.</b>				
Ale, beer, cider, &c. .. .. .	35	106	146	227
Spirits (beverages) .. .. .	70	104	140	174
Wine .. .. .	141	173	454	370
Total, Class III. .. .. .	246	383	740	771
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.</b>				
Cigarettes, cigars and snuff .. .. .	21	40	41	59
Tobacco .. .. .	49	64	102	127
Total, Class IV. .. .. .	70	104	143	186
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.</b>				
Cattle .. .. .	39	90	53	181
Horses .. .. .	44	71	122	129
Sheep .. .. .	82	82	163	145
Other live animals .. .. .	22	18	41	40
Total, Class V. .. .. .	187	260	379	495

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—*continued.*  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOOD-STUFFS.</b>				
Hides and skins—				
Calf, cattle and horse .. ..	468	478	939	897
Kangaroo and wallaby .. ..	95	110	151	167
Opossum .. ..	71	31	103	32
Rabbit and hare .. ..	231	282	689	552
Sheep and lamb .. ..	3,860	4,058	7,982	8,373
Other (including sheepskin and lamb-skin pieces) .. ..	79	85	156	157
Pearl-shell .. ..	190	104	392	371
Trochus-shell .. ..	157	130	298	292
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	136,558	98,469	191,756	139,917
Scoured and washed, slipe, carbonized, tops, noils and waste .. ..	11,261	10,573	24,292	20,370
Other animal substances .. ..	158	147	292	270
<b>Total, Class VI.</b> .. ..	<b>153,128</b>	<b>114,467</b>	<b>227,050</b>	<b>171,398</b>
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.</b>				
Seeds .. ..	119	87	348	322
Tanning substances .. ..	140	59	228	104
Other vegetable substances .. ..	51	32	113	88
<b>Total, Class VII.</b> .. ..	<b>310</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>514</b>
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.</b>				
<i>(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>				
Yarns—				
Woollen .. ..	46	101	85	122
Other .. ..	36	42	51	82
Other manufactured fibres .. ..	43	28	93	64
<b>Total, Class VIII.(a)</b> .. ..	<b>125</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>268</b>
<i>(b) Textiles—</i>				
Blankets and blanketing .. ..	6	3	12	6
Piece-goods—				
Cotton .. ..	43	29	105	80
Wholly or chiefly of rayon or other synthetic fibres .. ..	16	104	51	213
Woollen .. ..	48	30	95	57
Other .. ..	10	17	27	37
Other textiles .. ..	188	300	367	510
<b>Total, Class VIII.(b)</b> .. ..	<b>311</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>903</b>



Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—*continued.*  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—<i>continued.</i></b>				
(c) <i>Apparel—</i>				
Footwear .. .. .	15	18	43	39
Outerwear .. .. .	19	38	47	84
Underwear and sleeping attire ..	13	18	33	46
Other apparel .. .. .	42	48	85	92
Total, Class VIII.(c) .. ..	89	122	208	261
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	525	776	1,094	1,432
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>				
Fats and waxes, &c.—				
Edible animal fats, excluding tallow ..	31	40	48	88
Fatty acids .. .. .	70	33	142	55
Tallow, edible and inedible .. ..	759	460	1,486	790
Other .. .. .	50	36	79	83
Oils—				
Petroleum and shale oils .. ..	161	241	310	712
Other .. .. .	1,160	912	1,635	1,569
Total, Class IX. .. ..	2,231	1,722	3,700	3,297
<b>CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.</b>				
Lead oxides .. .. .	68	48	142	120
Paints and enamels prepared for use ..	67	76	148	190
Other pigments, paints and varnishes ..	75	58	150	157
Total, Class X. .. ..	210	182	440	467
<b>CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDRO-CARBONS.</b>				
Asbestos, crude and fibre .. ..	186	43	228	109
Ashphalt, tar and pitch .. ..	61	134	156	191
Coal .. .. .	400	324	896	694
Coke .. .. .	72	51	129	83
Ores and concentrates, including residues and wastes—				
Lead and silver-lead .. ..	1,574	960	2,427	1,789
Titanium and zirconium .. ..	480	688	962	1,445
Tungsten .. .. .	814	783	1,673	1,535
Zinc .. .. .	903	663	1,580	1,715
Other .. .. .	576	462	926	845
Other stones and minerals .. ..	72	95	146	211
Total, Class XI. .. ..	5,138	4,203	9,123	8,617

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—*continued*.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.</b>				
<i>(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>				
Metals and semi-manufactures—				
Cadmium .. .. .	150	51	316	132
Copper .. .. .	475	580	2,491	1,253
Copper-base alloys .. ..	198	151	470	323
Iron and steel .. ..	3,703	1,240	9,633	3,378
Lead—				
Bullion and silver-lead bullion	1,156	1,191	2,487	3,176
Pig .. .. .	4,191	4,952	9,910	9,393
Other .. .. .	279	437	566	699
Zinc .. .. .	774	915	1,697	2,009
Other metals and semi-manufactures of metal .. ..	292	59	652	153
Metal manufactures—				
Builders' and engineering hardware .. ..	113	104	262	234
Tools of trade .. ..	81	111	170	222
Vehicles and parts .. ..	816	810	1,477	1,599
Other metal manufactures .. ..	825	732	1,588	1,582
Total, Class XII.(a) .. ..	13,053	11,333	31,719	24,153
<i>(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances and Equipment—</i>				
Batteries and accumulators .. ..	95	120	204	232
Communication equipment .. ..	108	208	241	424
Other electrical appliances .. ..	279	231	557	620
Total, Class XII.(b) .. ..	482	559	1,002	1,276
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>				
Aircraft engines and parts .. ..	322	405	564	671
Agricultural, horticultural, &c. machinery .. ..	304	223	638	618
Mining and metallurgical machinery and appliances .. ..	201	151	418	262
Motive power machinery .. ..	231	188	656	512
Refrigerating appliances .. ..	83	110	228	233
Other machines and machinery .. ..	1,117	1,171	2,119	2,416
Total, Class XII.(c) .. ..	2,258	2,248	4,623	4,712
Total, Class XII. .. ..	15,793	14,140	37,344	30,141

**Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.**  
**(£A'000 L.o.b. Port of Shipment.)**

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.</b>				
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i> ..	147	199	277	390
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures—</i>				
Leather—				
Hide leathers—				
Sole .. .. .	224	145	380	291
Other .. .. .	391	299	739	653
Sheep and lamb .. .. .	72	50	164	106
Other .. .. .	84	32	168	65
Leather manufactures .. .. .	23	30	55	67
Total, Class XIII.(b) .. .. .	794	556	1,506	1,182
Total, Class XIII. .. .. .	941	755	1,783	1,572
<b>CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.</b>				
Sleepers, railway .. .. .	519	76	731	128
Timber .. .. .	583	417	1,244	812
Wood and wicker manufactures .. .. .	79	92	176	208
Total, Class XIV. .. .. .	1,181	585	2,151	1,148
<b>CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE</b> ..	149	181	346	665
<b>CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.</b>				
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board</i> .. .. .	61	74	171	194
(b) <i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i>				
Books (printed), periodicals, news- papers, &c. .. .. .	330	347	636	687
Paper manufactures and stationery	144	278	299	531
Total, Class XVI.(b) .. .. .	474	625	935	1,218
Total, Class XVI. .. .. .	535	699	1,106	1,412
<b>CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIME-PIECES.</b>				
Precious stones, unset—pearls, &c. ..	59	45	99	91
Sporting goods .. .. .	48	52	110	136
Other .. .. .	59	45	113	91
Total, Class XVII. .. .. .	166	142	322	318
<b>CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTOGRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.</b>				
Films for cinematographs, &c. .. ..	78	63	161	147
Photographic goods and materials ..	149	132	303	301
Other optical, surgical and scientific instruments and materials .. .. .	209	116	400	259
Total, Class XVIII. .. .. .	436	311	864	707

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—*continued*.  
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.</b>				
Acids .. .. .	(a)	20	(a)	54
Drugs and medicinal preparations—				
Acetylsalicylic acid .. .. .	(a)	37	(a)	79
Other .. .. .	(a)	290	(a)	647
Eucalyptus oil .. .. .	55	49	90	83
Perfumery and toilet preparations ..	41	43	85	94
Soap .. .. .	53	67	165	138
Other chemicals, elements and compounds—				
Organic .. .. .	(a)	411	(a)	658
Inorganic .. .. .	(a)	67	(a)	187
Miscellaneous chemical preparations (including fertilizers) .. .. .	(a)	174	(a)	371
Total, Class XIX. .. .. .	1,136	1,158	2,218	2,311
<b>CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
Arms, ammunition and explosives ..	375	11	582	72
Military, Naval and Air Force stores and equipment .. .. .	764	385	1,747	1,083
Synthetic resins .. .. .	93	230	177	370
Vessels (ships) transferred abroad ..	29	144	84	242
All other articles .. .. .	1,844	1,397	3,280	3,514
Total, Class XX. .. .. .	3,105	2,167	5,870	5,281
Total, Merchandise .. .. .	248,871	208,333	432,967	358,925
<b>CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER ; BRONZE SPECIE.</b>				
Bronze specie .. .. .	..	1	1	1
Gold, including gold in matte .. .. .	2,104	2,920	8,653	4,138
Silver, including silver in matte .. ..	571	744	1,137	1,327
Total, Class XXI. .. .. .	2,675	3,665	9,791	5,466
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
<b>States of Final Shipment—</b>				
New South Wales .. .. .	79,265	61,421	137,009	104,025
Victoria .. .. .	65,303	62,213	101,449	96,166
Queensland .. .. .	50,699	36,952	101,196	79,110
South Australia .. .. .	29,298	29,569	61,938	50,083
Western Australia .. .. .	25,260	19,623	37,600	30,452
Tasmania .. .. .	1,701	2,181	3,544	4,516
Northern Territory .. .. .	20	39	22	39
Australian Produce .. .. .	249,461	209,995	438,769	360,023
Re-exports .. .. .	2,085	2,003	3,989	4,368
GRAND TOTAL .. .. .	251,546	211,998	442,758	364,391

(a) Not available separately.



**TOTAL QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.					
Butter .. .. .	'000 lb.	26,688	46,666	37,506	56,348
Cheese .. .. .	"	19,520	19,942	23,376	24,586
Processed milk—					
Condensed .. .. .	"	23,737	12,326	34,483	17,450
Dried .. .. .	"	20,030	17,080	26,574	25,306
Infants' and invalids' foods	"	2,757	1,411	4,811	3,621
Eggs—					
In shell .. .. .	'000 doz.	4,681	10,375	11,299	16,947
Not in shell .. .. .	'000 lb.	18,727	11,759	19,703	12,116
Meats, poultry and game—					
Bacon and hams .. .. .	cwt.	7,677	4,920	16,266	9,668
Preserved by cold process—					
Beef and veal .. .. .	'000 cwt.	563	599	2,003	1,455
Lamb .. .. .	cwt.	237,779	507,024	247,814	584,095
Mutton .. .. .	"	99,762	95,963	186,380	147,193
Pork .. .. .	"	4,891	12,623	14,455	35,830
Poultry .. .. .	'000 prs.	68	62	170	151
Rabbits and hares .. .. .	"	1,284	660	5,216	2,602
Preserved in airtight vessels	cwt.	335,310	302,432	683,444	697,130
Sausage casings .. .. .	"	7,078	13,326	12,646	20,256
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.					
Fruits—					
Dried—					
Currants .. .. .	'000 lb.	1,881	1,483	11,627	10,231
Raisins .. .. .	"	8,102	21,870	65,229	76,617
Tree fruits .. .. .	"	2,235	1,131	2,948	4,109
Fresh—					
Apples .. .. .	'000 bus.	4	24	160	217
Citrus .. .. .	"	267	227	476	441
Other .. .. .	"	1	3	10	9
Preserved in airtight containers	'000 lb.	18,426	8,320	52,844	75,902
Pulped .. .. .	"	1,276	414	3,495	2,074
Grain or cereals—					
Prepared—					
Barley—pearl and scotch .. .. .	"	82	39	132	87
White flour—plain .. .. .	"	315,969	271,526	809,118	527,634
Oatmeal and rolled oats .. .. .	"	10,682	2,399	27,306	4,604
Rice .. .. .	cwt.	208,480	99,954	414,406	310,089
Unprepared—					
Barley .. .. .	ton	22,587	7,702	125,663	146,212
Oats .. .. .	"	18,343	2,043	35,943	12,089
Wheat .. .. .	"	207,691	482,255	578,790	794,816
Jams and fruit jellies .. .. .	'000 lb.	1,020	1,749	3,445	4,327
Sugar (cane) .. .. .	ton	302,050	186,905	496,835	447,209
Vegetables—preserved or pulped .. .. .	'000 lb.	3,420	681	4,935	1,840

Total Quantities of Principal Commodities Exported from Australia—*continued.*

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	December Quarter.		Six months ended December.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.</b>					
Wine .. .. .	'000 gal.	230	276	721	565
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.</b>					
Hides and skins—					
Calf, cattle and horse ..	'000 lb.	6,491	7,937	12,353	14,296
Kangaroo and wallaby ..	"	272	283	425	440
Rabbit and hare .. ..	"	1,271	1,365	3,334	2,593
Sheep .. .. .	'000	3,563	4,273	6,530	7,276
Wool—					
Greasy .. .. .	'000 lb.	365,226	306,827	514,747	428,642
Scoured and washed, slippe, carbonized, tops, noils and waste .. .. .	"	22,858	25,853	48,353	47,766
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.</b>					
Tallow, edible and inedible ..	ton	12,059	5,987	26,099	9,864
<b>CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.</b>					
Coal .. .. .	ton	101,198	81,388	226,838	184,273
Ores and concentrates—					
Lead and silver-lead .. ..	"	27,536	15,454	43,882	29,747
Zinc .. .. .	"	79,093	49,651	127,722	132,208
<b>CLASS XII.—METALS.</b>					
Lead, pig .. .. .	ton	37,853	49,651	88,984	78,499
Zinc, bars, blocks, &c. .. ..	"	7,950	8,276	18,097	18,422

**PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN  
ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.			
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef and Veal.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.(a)	Pork.(a)
QUANTITY.						
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
1938-39 ..	229,543	35,924	15,527	2,428,248	1,665,076	274,254
1950-51 ..	120,031	44,790	48,393	1,413,480	483,111	111,356
1951-52 ..	25,417	40,316	45,328	856,035	278,150	34,802
1952-53 ..	110,428	53,006	30,299	1,718,751	1,489,679	30,831
1953-54 ..	88,030	50,959	24,790	2,826,856	890,102	24,628
Six months ended—						
Dec., 1953	37,506	23,376	16,265	2,003,209	434,194	14,455
Dec., 1954	56,348	24,585	9,668	1,455,156	731,288	35,827

VALUE.						
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)						
1938-39 ..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882
1950-51 ..	18,469	4,025	822	6,648	2,684	1,051
1951-52 ..	4,593	4,064	934	5,230	1,918	485
1952-53 ..	20,075	5,851	720	13,782	8,761	472
1953-54 ..	16,052	5,329	619	22,023	5,261	462
Six months ended—						
Dec., 1953	6,942	2,517	409	15,183	2,786	267
Dec., 1954	9,856	2,525	241	12,695	8,141	479

(a) Preserved by cold process.

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits, preserved in airtight containers.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Tree.				Greasy.	Scoured. (a)
QUANTITY.							
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	tons.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1938-39.. ..	164,213	3,915	81,279	1,690,974	1,450,130	793,384	70,881
1950-51.. ..	76,950	24,136	97,662	2,324,516	1,766,020	907,431	127,601
1951-52.. ..	84,386	13,701	110,348	1,685,382	1,578,033	823,963	97,775
1952-53.. ..	155,172	6,709	143,261	1,593,963	1,739,240	981,493	107,533
1953-54.. ..	139,822	6,481	199,220	965,338	1,522,536	990,008	96,418
Six months ended—							
Dec., 1953 ..	76,856	2,948	52,844	578,790	809,118	514,747	48,349
Dec., 1954 ..	86,848	3,996	75,846	794,816	527,634	428,642	47,766

VALUE.							
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)							
1938-39 ..	2,747	118	1,167	8,735	4,540	37,305	5,324
1950-51 ..	3,303	1,359	4,966	74,151	32,894	548,891	84,407
1951-52 ..	4,608	1,053	6,500	55,287	33,018	278,481	44,948
1952-53 ..	7,448	581	9,298	51,970	37,417	356,223	46,681
1953-54 ..	6,600	793	14,184	30,957	29,682	364,977	45,443
Six months ended—							
Dec., 1953	3,733	344	3,633	19,493	16,898	191,756	24,291
Dec., 1954	4,260	481	5,560	21,129	8,448	139,917	20,370

(a) Includes scoured and washed, carbonized, tops, nolls, waste and slips.

# PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	BUTTER.				CHEESE.			
United Kingdom ..	22,756	3,906	46,848	7,799	17,238	1,572	19,580	1,762
Australian Territories ..	218	45	262	54	73	10	57	9
Ceylon ..	1,047	202	1,018	201	201	34	160	25
Guiana (British) ..	167	33	211	43	6	1	10	2
Hong Kong ..	1,166	232	754	148	241	33	231	31
India ..	495	117	373	85	400	68	466	80
Malaya, Fed. of ..	455	109	634	148	51	8	55	13
Malta ..	454	79	269	52	316	38	44	5
Mauritius ..	250	62	318	78	77	13	105	18
Singapore ..	1,306	253	1,234	264	362	49	564	59
West Africa ..	147	35	264	57	169	29	146	25
West Indies—								
Barbados ..	105	21	110	21	2	..	13	2
Trinidad and Tobago ..	484	96	457	89	20	3	28	5
Windward Is. ..	64	15	63	14	10	2	8	1
Other ..	34	8	106	23	49	7	107	17
Other British Countries ..	797	175	521	122	378	72	302	55
Arabian States ..	284	67	405	107	516	94	553	101
Burma ..	173	44	269	66	40	8	44	8
Egypt ..	508	114	476	93	663	76	448	50
France ..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
French Possessions—								
New Caledonia ..	178	38	192	40	64	12	66	12
Other ..	87	23	105	25	3	1	6	1
Israel ..	2	..	..	..	249	34	..	..
Italy ..	..	..	7	1	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	920	188	442	93	961	138	138	19
Lebanon ..	35	7	59	12	145	25	18	3
Netherlands Antilles ..	132	34	165	40	1	..	..	..
Philippines ..	216	50	272	69	767	125	839	133
U.S.S.R. ..	4,480	875	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries	451	113	464	112	374	65	564	89
New South Wales ..	1,195	247	725	147	209	33	148	25
Victoria ..	21,107	3,891	36,488	6,288	15,905	1,824	15,089	1,634
Queensland ..	13,886	2,578	14,207	2,558	1,839	209	1,267	145
South Australia ..	400	63	1,083	185	5,373	451	8,080	721
Western Australia ..	50	9	22	4	..	..	1	..
Tasmania ..	868	154	3,823	674	..	..	..	..
Total ..	37,506	6,942	56,348	9,856	23,376	2,517	24,585	2,525
	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.
Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	BACON AND HAMS.				BEEF AND VEAL. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
United Kingdom ..	846	24	..	..	1,816,977	13,316	1,180,005	9,930
Bermuda ..	89	3	..	..	6,194	104	5,475	97
Ceylon ..	939	23	558	13	2,455	25	371	4
Hong Kong ..	1,726	47	885	22	17,681	140	27,791	234
Malta ..	..	..	..	..	7,636	67	8,362	75
Singapore ..	6,512	157	4,003	93	35,284	322	57,279	525
West Indies (British) ..	411	12	584	18	10,828	134	6,754	78
Other British Countries ..	1,988	56	1,434	41	23,757	270	24,511	277
Arabian States—								
Saudi Arabia ..	54	2	9	..	2,717	59	7,039	143
Other ..	952	26	223	6	3,080	52	3,339	61
Belgium ..	..	..	..	..	3,770	37	20,784	191
Egypt ..	2,093	43	1,493	36	53,394	432	32,253	269
United States of America ..	..	..	4	..	3,128	41	1,118	12
Other Foreign Countries	655	16	475	12	16,308	184	80,075	799
New South Wales ..	3,770	83	2,737	68	281,054	2,153	90,448	966
Victoria ..	474	12	75	1	37,727	307	42,493	438
Queensland ..	6,867	194	3,458	100	1,561,310	11,849	1,206,555	10,426
South Australia ..	741	20	667	15	12,000	79	59	1
Western Australia ..	4,413	100	2,731	57	111,098	795	115,054	859
Tasmania ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	547	5
Total ..	16,265	409	9,668	241	2,003,209	15,183	1,455,156	12,695

NOTE.—Value expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.



**Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.**

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.
	MUTTON AND LAMB. (Preserved by Cold Process.)				PORK. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
United Kingdom ..	350,245	2,151	639,770	7,448	760	6	24,593	282
Australian Territories ..	2,871	35	3,319	42	1,068	20	1,053	21
Canada ..	5,876	53	12,588	136	254	4	769	12
Ceylon ..	3,191	30	2,581	15	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong ..	1,789	14	3,108	35	1,413	25	331	4
Singapore ..	28,720	213	7,433	52	4,148	78	3,548	58
Other British Countries	9,240	76	14,943	109	1,110	26	1,271	25
Arabian States ..	3,112	36	6,063	74	1,013	25	1,181	29
Belgium(a) ..	4,819	23	6,254	28	..	..	487	5
Egypt ..	4,143	23	655	5	1,009	19	1,277	21
U.S.S.R. ..	9,961	58	..	..	..	..	..	..
United States of America	3,311	18	789	11	51	1	6	..
Other Foreign Countries	6,916	56	33,785	186	3,629	63	1,311	22
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>434,194</b>	<b>2,786</b>	<b>731,288</b>	<b>8,141</b>	<b>14,455</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>35,827</b>	<b>479</b>
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	DRIED VINE FRUITS—CURRANTS.				DRIED VINE FRUITS—RAISINS (Including Sultanas and Lexias).			
United Kingdom ..	6,960	272	4,864	236	41,121	1,868	41,663	2,128
Canada ..	3,269	170	3,495	161	16,619	848	26,025	1,109
New Zealand ..	801	44	1,163	62	6,372	417	7,500	431
Singapore ..	46	4	45	4	75	7	82	8
Other British Countries	489	28	318	18	847	55	1,091	66
Egypt ..	56	4	58	4	115	9	121	10
Other Foreign Countries	6	..	288	14	80	7	135	9
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>11,627</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>10,231</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>65,229</b>	<b>3,211</b>	<b>76,617</b>	<b>3,761</b>

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

## Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	DRIED TREE FRUITS.				FRUITS PRESERVED IN AIRTIGHT CONTAINERS.			
United Kingdom ..	1,898	208	940	113	40,567	2,782	60,454	4,424
Canada ..	2	..	96	12	883	68	1,654	127
Ireland, Republic of ..	..	..	..	..	574	44	..	..
New Zealand ..	354	45	724	94	4,368	303	8,730	654
Singapore ..	106	15	129	20	246	16	360	20
Other British Countries	297	37	265	33	1,974	143	2,086	155
Egypt ..	189	26	68	7	948	60	624	45
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	64	7	807	111	1,095	71	100	6
Other Foreign Countries	38	6	967	91	2,189	146	1,838	129
New South Wales ..	1,984	224	1,116	125	5,458	355	9,176	643
Victoria ..	248	31	154	20	37,597	2,501	52,452	3,747
Queensland ..	5	1	3	..	8,474	700	12,947	1,091
South Australia ..	628	79	1,818	216	980	60	874	57
Western Australia ..	..	..	5	1	19	2	4	..
Tasmania ..	83	9	900	119	316	15	393	22
Total ..	2,948	344	3,996	481	52,844	3,633	75,846	5,560
	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WHEAT.				FLOUR.			
United Kingdom ..	192,223	6,122	198,483	5,360	104,768	2,020	34,437	474
Aden ..	..	..	25	1	12,404	249	9,933	138
Australian Territories ..	54	2	72	2	4,354	89	6,101	102
Borneo (British) ..	18	1	..	..	10,679	233	7,293	122
Ceylon ..	..	..	157	5	182,961	3,858	97,742	1,529
Cyprus ..	9,284	17	18,397	503	..	..	33	1
East Africa (British) ..	500	17	100	3	3,757	78	2,248	34
Hong Kong ..	218	6	1,264	35	12,058	253	5,972	94
India ..	126,257	4,016	192,714	4,979	39,596	762	41	1
Ireland, Republic of ..	9,480	314	25,513	661	81,749	1,732	80,644	1,362
Malaya, Fed. of ..	4,193	159	6,843	196	38,046	779	15,533	233
Mauritius ..	..	..	17	1	117	2	..	..
New Zealand ..	104,225	3,649	112,173	2,987	11,001	229	10,551	164
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	3,967	77	4,119	66
Fiji ..	10	..	23	1	105	2	89	1
Other ..	39	1	29	1	..	..	..	..
Pakistan ..	34,134	1,479	..	..	63,810	1,357	77,083	1,257
Rhodesia, Northern ..	8,196	306	4,467	124	3,526	73	8,267	121
Rhodesia, Southern ..	27,066	1,016	13,401	373	2,976	63	3,255	55
Singapore ..	1,836	70	2,107	60	..	..	..	..
Sudan, Anglo-Egyptian	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other British Countries	347	12	128	4	..	..	..	..
Arabian States ..	1,326	48	1,219	34	6,690	136	3,737	55
Burma ..	2,640	103	323	9	24,641	534	28,410	462
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	21,811	412	15,026	225
French Dependencies ..	211	9	288	9	14,764	342	10,932	175
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	17,676	590	139,334	3,754	..	..	..	..
Indonesia ..	7	..	10	..	150,346	3,298	87,114	1,452
Italy ..	9,566	324	..	..	784	17	466	7
Japan ..	..	..	22,155	540	2,117	42	1,852	29
Korea ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Netherlands ..	9,208	284	37,611	1,001	..	..	..	..
Portuguese Possessions—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
India ..	299	11	..	..	1,131	23	..	..
Mozambique ..	3,786	135	2,329	64	134	3	211	4
Other ..	..	..	..	..	465	9	258	4
Sweden ..	15,931	500	..	..	..	..	..	..
Thailand ..	55	2	109	3	8,535	188	12,452	216
Other Foreign Countries	5	..	15,525	419	1,826	38	3,835	65
New South Wales ..	130,066	4,132	121,698	3,266	258,306	5,420	155,807	2,488
Victoria ..	88,721	2,896	288,407	7,746	299,544	6,282	195,076	3,133
Queensland ..	33,336	1,051	1,664	47	5,200	112	11,544	192
South Australia ..	231,030	8,348	180,670	4,734	80,771	1,668	61,770	999
Western Australia ..	95,587	3,066	202,377	5,336	165,297	3,416	103,437	1,636
Total ..	578,790	19,493	794,816	21,129	809,118	16,898	527,634	8,448

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**Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported  
to Various Countries—continued.**

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	Six months ended December.							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WOOL—GREASY.				WOOL—SCOURED AND WASHED, SLIPS, CARBONIZED, TOPS, NOILS AND WASTE.			
United Kingdom ..	151,287	55,635	141,700	46,313	14,127	6,572	15,739	6,392
Canada ..	232	89	688	237	1,702	843	1,764	774
Hong Kong ..	..	..	..	..	289	248	318	219
India ..	296	84	200	61	334	215	368	216
Ireland, Republic of ..	1,761	700	2,662	963	89	43	76	34
New Zealand ..	153	70	205	86	225	158	220	152
South Africa, Union of..	2,655	901	1,460	364	582	247	177	85
Other British Countries	..	..	..	..	67	30	241	112
Austria ..	786	341	700	260	..	..	7	3
Belgium(a) ..	47,379	13,885	42,510	11,123	3,777	1,609	2,362	897
China ..	50	36	4	4	2,179	1,648	1,355	904
Czechoslovakia ..	5,651	2,648	3,001	1,169	..	..	..	..
Denmark ..	195	91	..	..	560	245	474	188
Egypt ..	23	6	..	..	529	409	57	48
France ..	93,693	32,649	76,132	23,372	4,120	2,008	3,562	1,532
Germany, Fed. Rep. of..	27,199	10,254	29,812	9,475	2,487	1,208	2,630	1,032
Greece ..	5	3	..	..	316	160	420	185
Italy ..	63,374	24,454	41,291	13,489	2,959	1,269	2,749	987
Japan ..	42,305	17,495	45,131	16,991	6,677	4,053	729	398
Mexico ..	2,177	930	3,059	1,193	23	14	393	193
Netherlands ..	2,266	873	1,097	339	514	236	478	185
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	48	25	49	26
Poland ..	7,418	3,000	7,380	2,912	..	..	42	19
Portugal ..	1,293	582	1,404	544	80	46	171	85
Spain ..	..	..	424	175	..	..	..	..
Sweden ..	391	153	997	339	527	238	552	241
Switzerland ..	2,172	778	3,122	956	145	71	137	61
Turkey ..	3,699	1,620	1,245	520	470	287	117	69
U.S.S.R. ..	26,914	11,575	..	..	..	..	..	..
United States of America	29,425	12,091	22,959	8,524	4,859	2,062	11,181	4,613
Yugoslavia ..	821	340	528	195	..	..	30	14
Other Foreign Countries	1,127	473	931	313	664	347	1,368	706
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>514,747</b>	<b>191,756</b>	<b>428,642</b>	<b>139,917</b>	<b>48,349</b>	<b>24,291</b>	<b>47,766</b>	<b>20,370</b>
New South Wales ..	179,887	65,655	158,075	50,434	13,103	6,559	14,436	5,911
Victoria ..	117,048	44,446	100,136	33,544	16,178	7,155	15,578	6,079
Queensland ..	100,143	39,773	69,857	24,724	5,983	3,352	5,608	2,516
South Australia ..	63,969	22,277	55,302	16,924	4,822	2,364	4,266	1,833
Western Australia ..	52,977	19,332	44,728	14,122	5,151	2,511	5,558	2,412
Tasmania ..	723	273	544	169	5	1	5	2
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>514,747</b>	<b>191,756</b>	<b>428,642</b>	<b>139,917</b>	<b>(b) 45,242</b>	<b>(b) 21,942</b>	<b>(b) 45,451</b>	<b>(b) 18,753</b>

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.  
not available for publication.

(b) Excludes exports of wool tops. State details

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

## Section V.—Retail Sales.

TOTAL RETAIL SALES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS.<sup>(a)</sup>*(Adjusted on a Basis Comparable with the 1952-53 Retail Census.)*

The figures in the tables below relate to the retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, &c.) by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards).

The tables contain particulars of retail sales of goods for the years 1948-49 to 1953-54 on a comparable basis throughout. The figures for the years 1948-49 and 1952-53 were obtained from Censuses taken in respect of those years whereas figures for the other years shown are estimates based on sample surveys and have been revised since previous publication. An adjustment has been made in the figures previously published for sales of hardware, china and glassware for the years 1948-49 to 1951-52 and 1953-54 to provide comparability with the 1952-53 Census.

(£ million.)

Particulars.	1948-49. (b)	1949-50. (c)	1950-51. (c)	1951-52. (c)	1952-53. (b)	1953-54. (c)
STATES.						
New South Wales .. ..	450.0	538.2	693.9	801.0	824.7	907.7
Victoria .. ..	317.1	392.6	492.4	571.7	584.4	637.8
Queensland .. ..	151.8	184.9	233.9	270.6	287.8	319.7
South Australia .. ..	96.4	122.4	153.3	185.4	189.0	210.8
Western Australia .. ..	78.4	99.0	125.9	155.2	164.6	183.8
Tasmania .. ..	34.6	41.6	53.4	65.0	68.9	76.1
Total .. ..	1,128.3	1,378.7	1,752.8	2,048.9	2,119.4	2,335.9

## COMMODITY GROUPS.

Groceries .. ..	143.4	161.1	186.1	232.9	261.5	275.6
Butchers' Meat .. ..	65.3	75.4	92.3	118.7	127.8	134.2
Other Food(d) .. ..	116.6	131.7	155.5	187.8	206.8	224.0
Total Foodstuffs .. ..	325.3	368.2	433.9	539.4	596.1	633.8
Beer, wine and spirits .. ..	95.3	105.0	123.2	153.9	173.0	186.7
Clothing, Drapery, Piece Goods and Footwear .. ..	237.8	263.8	328.5	351.6	355.1	387.5
Hardware, China and Glassware(e) .. ..	55.3	66.4	91.2	109.6	113.8	124.8
Electrical Goods and Radios .. ..	34.2	43.3	64.7	77.5	75.8	91.3
Furniture and Floor Coverings .. ..	46.4	54.5	76.9	76.1	72.8	81.0
Other Goods(f) .. ..	167.9	204.2	252.4	307.5	315.5	337.3
Total (excluding Motor Vehicles, &c.) .. ..	962.2	1,105.4	1,370.8	1,615.6	1,702.1	1,842.4
Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, &c.(g) .. ..	166.1	273.3	382.0	433.3	417.3	493.5
Total .. ..	1,128.3	1,378.7	1,752.8	2,048.9	2,119.4	2,335.9

<sup>(a)</sup> Excludes sales in Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.<sup>(b)</sup> Census figures.<sup>(c)</sup> Survey figures revised since previous publication.<sup>(d)</sup> Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, &c., but excludes some delivered milk and bread.<sup>(e)</sup> Excludes basic building materials (e.g. timber, roofing tiles, bricks, &c.).<sup>(f)</sup> Includes tobacco, cigarettes, &c., newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, &c.<sup>(g)</sup> Excludes farm machinery and implements, earth-moving equipment, &c.



# RETAIL SALES : HIRE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY FINANCE COMPANIES.

The statistics in the following tables relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves. Particulars of agreements originally made between retailers and customers and subsequently assigned to finance companies are not included in the figures of agreements made during each quarter nor, up to 31st December, 1953, in those of balances outstanding. Commencing 31st March, 1954, however, details of balances outstanding on agreements assigned to finance companies were collected and are included in the figures from that date. Figures in these tables have been revised since the last issue.

## Balances Outstanding at end of each Quarter(a).

(Including Hiring Charges and Insurance.)

(£'000.)

As at—	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1953—							
31st March ..	34,397	19,388	14,355	7,642	6,048	2,739	84,569
30th June ..	34,972	19,861	15,072	8,016	6,354	2,929	87,204
30th September ..	37,889	21,704	16,107	8,882	6,950	3,239	94,771
31st December ..	43,756	25,097	18,379	10,356	7,978	3,666	109,232
1954—							
31st March(d) ..	47,676	27,546	19,674	11,199	8,548	4,032	118,675
30th June (d) ..	51,443	30,726	22,341	12,483	9,703	4,534	131,230
30th September (d) ..	55,153	34,144	24,018	14,070	10,893	4,991	143,269
31st December (d) ..	62,146	38,681	26,181	15,857	11,986	5,583	160,434

(a) Balances on agreements entered into during the quarter or at any time previously. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) See note above.

## Agreements Made during Quarter ended 31st December, 1954 : States.

Particulars of Agreement.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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### MOTOR VEHICLES.

Number of Agreements ..	23,877	12,271	11,610	8,300	5,166	2,490	68,714
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	16,502	12,354	7,501	5,612	3,433	1,757	47,159
Amount Financed(d) £'000	9,606	7,364	4,212	3,223	1,986	981	27,372

### PLANT AND MACHINERY.

Number of Agreements ..	1,476	1,113	667	354	249	118	3,977
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	911	665	311	213	275	137	2,512
Amount Financed(d) £'000	566	408	184	127	174	86	1,545

### HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.

Number of Agreements ..	70,450	41,125	30,969	12,036	11,259	5,116	170,955
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	6,077	3,327	2,030	1,069	884	413	13,800
Amount Financed(d) £'000	4,950	2,707	1,522	861	693	330	11,063

### TOTAL (ALL GOODS).

Number of Agreements ..	95,803	59,509	43,246	20,690	16,674	7,724	243,646
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	23,490	16,346	9,842	6,894	4,592	2,307	63,471
Amount Financed(d) £'000	15,122	10,479	5,918	4,211	2,853	1,397	39,980

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

**Retail Sales : Hire Purchase Agreements Entered Into By Finance Companies—continued.**

**Agreements Made during each Quarter : Australia.**

Period.	Number of Agreements.	Value of Goods.(a)		Amount Financed.(b)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed. (b)
		Total.	Average per Agreement.	Total.	Average per Agreement.	
		£'000	£	£'000.	£	%

**MOTOR VEHICLES.**

Quarterly Average—						
1954 .. ..	62,994	42,461	674	24,552	390	58
Quarterly Total—						
1954—March Quarter ..	55,017	35,768	650	20,269	368	57
June .. ..	62,127	42,010	676	24,705	398	59
Sept. .. ..	66,117	44,907	679	25,862	391	58
Dec. .. ..	68,714	47,159	686	27,372	398	58

**PLANT AND MACHINERY.**

Quarterly Average—						
1954 .. ..	3,111	1,882	605	1,152	370	61
Quarterly Total—						
1954—March Quarter ..	2,349	1,448	616	844	359	58
June .. ..	2,764	1,782	645	1,113	403	62
Sept. .. ..	3,354	1,786	532	1,106	330	62
Dec. .. ..	3,977	2,512	632	1,545	388	62

**HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.**

Quarterly Average—						
1954 .. ..	152,860	11,614	76	9,285	61	80
Quarterly Total—						
1954—March Quarter ..	142,946	11,586	81	9,030	63	78
June .. ..	147,395	10,195	69	8,227	56	81
Sept. .. ..	150,145	10,876	72	8,820	59	81
Dec. .. ..	170,955	13,800	81	11,063	65	80

**TOTAL (ALL GOODS).**

Quarterly Average—						
1954 .. ..	218,965	55,957	256	34,989	160	63
Quarterly Total—						
1954—March Quarter ..	200,312	48,802	244	30,143	150	62
June .. ..	212,286	53,987	254	34,045	160	63
Sept. .. ..	219,616	57,569	262	35,788	163	62
Dec. .. ..	243,646	63,471	261	39,980	164	63

(a) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(b) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

## Section VI.—Public Finance.

## COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—RECEIPTS.

(£'000.)

Sources of Revenue.	1938-39.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Six Months Ended December—	
				1953.	1954.
<b>TAXATION—</b>					
Customs .. .. .	31,161	70,720	94,757	45,868	49,575
Excise .. .. .	16,472	113,104	125,460	62,377	71,410
Sales Tax .. .. .	9,308	89,067	95,689	47,237	51,311
Flour Tax (a) .. .. .	1,809	..	..	..	..
Land Tax .. .. .	1,489	1,250	221	161	18
Income Taxes(b) .. .. .	11,883	554,737	523,181	164,233	148,215
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	40,171	40,384	20,630	20,701
Estate Duty .. .. .	1,915	8,393	9,825	5,116	5,078
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	1,162	1,386	628	764
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	6,708	1,977	1,973	1
Wool Contributory Charge and Wool Tax(a) (c) 74	..	703	772	389	409
Wheat Export Charge(a) .. .. .	..	8,139	..	..	118
Other Export Charges (a) (d) .. .. .	..	166	163	80	..
Stevedoring Industry Charge (a) .. .. .	..	1,144	1,630	852	479
<b>Total, Taxation .. .. .</b>	<b>74,111</b>	<b>895,464</b>	<b>900,450</b>	<b>349,544</b>	<b>348,079</b>
<b>BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—</b>					
Postmaster-General's Department .. .. .	17,366	64,398	67,798	33,901	36,482
<b>Railways—</b>					
Trans-Australia .. .. .	331	1,372	1,825	818	861
Central Australia .. .. .	138	1,290	1,553	713	703
North Australia .. .. .	50	42	68	35	35
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	7	25	15	9	6
<b>Total, Railways .. .. .</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>2,729</b>	<b>3,461</b>	<b>1,575</b>	<b>1,605</b>
<b>Broadcasting Services.. .. .</b>	<b>(e)</b>	<b>3,806</b>	<b>3,867</b>	<b>2,043</b>	<b>2,056</b>
<b>Total, Business Undertakings .. .. .</b>	<b>17,892</b>	<b>70,933</b>	<b>75,126</b>	<b>37,519</b>	<b>40,143</b>
<b>TERRITORIES (f) .. .. .</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>1,779</b>	<b>2,195</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,158</b>
<b>OTHER REVENUE—</b>					
Coinage .. .. .	128	310	750	..	300
Defence .. .. .	151	2,188	2,809	1,216	2,099
Atomic Energy Commission .. .. .	..	1,174	2,790	1,060	..
Civil Aviation .. .. .	6	3,501	4,313	789	1,273
Health .. .. .	18	43	80	28	40
Attorney-General .. .. .	111	237	322	153	180
Commerce and Agriculture .. .. .	6	121	106	26	..
Shipping and Transport .. .. .	152	255	391	153	145
Net Profit on Note Issue .. .. .	767	4,861	5,707	3,173	3,030
Other .. .. .	1,367	(g) 59,151	27,751	12,061	10,086
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>2,706</b>	<b>71,891</b>	<b>45,019</b>	<b>18,657</b>	<b>17,153</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL .. .. .</b>	<b>95,065</b>	<b>1,040,067</b>	<b>1,022,790</b>	<b>406,780</b>	<b>406,533</b>
<b>PER HEAD OF POPULATION—</b>					
Taxation .. .. .	£ s. d. 10 13 9	£ s. d. 102 7 5	£ s. d. 101 3 4	£ s. d. 39 8 5	£ s. d. 38 10 11
Business Undertakings .. .. .	2 11 7	8 2 5	8 8 10	4 4 8	4 8 11
Other .. .. .	0 8 10	8 8 5	5 6 1	2 4 6	2 0 7
<b>Total .. .. .</b>	<b>13 14 2</b>	<b>118 18 0</b>	<b>114 18 3</b>	<b>45 17 7</b>	<b>45 0 5</b>

(a) Paid to Trust Fund for purposes of industry concerned. (b) Includes Social Services Contribution, Wool Deduction, Undistributed Profits Tax and Super Tax. (c) Wool levy for publicity and research. (d) Prior to 1952-53 treated as refunds of revenue. (e) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account revenue. (f) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (g) Includes sale of shares in Commonwealth Oil Refineries Ltd., £2,762,000 and wool disposals profit, £42,361,000

**COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—EXPENDITURE.**  
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	1938-39.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Six Months Ended December—	
				1953.	1954.
Administrative and Miscellaneous Services..	5,390	70,536	65,078	29,722	33,164
Interest and Debt Redemption, n.e.i.(a) ..	3,839	4,867	6,016	4,677	5,939
Capital Works and Services, n.e.i. ..	634	65,396	59,920	28,570	26,628
National Welfare Fund and Social Services(b)	16,428	165,511	176,565	85,250	91,571
Subsidies and Bounties .. ..	236	25,332	21,320	9,673	10,078
Defence Services (c) .. ..	8,928	216,016	190,661	77,045	71,462
War and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	9,665	(d) 64,610	(d) 63,679	29,452	28,454
War Pensions .. ..	8,227	36,577	39,425	19,096	22,118
Other Services .. ..	1,365	16,645	17,158	10,561	9,747
Total, War and Repatriation Services	19,257	117,832	120,262	59,129	60,319
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	2,887	3,720	3,520	1,781	1,388
Capital Works and Services .. ..	3,851	23,427	25,986	11,545	12,485
Other .. ..	11,991	66,197	68,724	31,495	32,516
Total, Postmaster-General's Department .. ..	18,729	93,344	98,230	44,821	46,389
Railways—					
Interest and Debt Redemption (a) ..	530	561	561	282	281
Capital Works and Services .. ..	142	4,746	3,382	1,410	1,486
Other .. ..	821	3,383	3,576	1,786	1,450
Total, Railways .. ..	1,493	8,690	7,519	3,478	3,217
Broadcasting Services—					
Capital Works and Services .. ..	..	202	281	126	123
Other .. ..	..	4,556	4,684	2,239	2,255
Total, Broadcasting Services .. ..	(e)	4,758	4,965	2,365	2,378
Total, Business Undertakings .. ..	20,222	111,792	110,714	50,664	51,984
Territories(f)—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	376	333	359	167	184
Capital Works and Services .. ..	739	4,821	4,511	2,445	2,089
Other—					
Northern Territory .. ..	323	2,355	2,522	1,158	1,171
Australian Capital Territory .. ..	349	2,205	2,382	1,025	1,246
Papua-New Guinea .. ..	47	4,882	5,812	2,615	3,209
Norfolk Island .. ..	5	40	58	10	10
Total, Territories .. ..	1,839	14,636	15,644	7,420	7,909
Payments to or for the States—					
Interest on States' Debts(g) .. ..	7,585	7,585	7,585	3,792	3,792
Redemption of States' Debts .. ..	1,478	3,011	3,463	1,704	1,932
Special Grants .. ..	2,020	15,934	15,400	7,750	5,475
Grants, for Road Construction, &c., purposes .. ..	4,266	15,707	22,057	8,770	10,022
Tax Reimbursement Grants .. ..	..	108,623	120,415	48,148	59,971
States' Grants—Special Assistance .. ..	..	27,146	21,915	8,766	..
Other .. ..	300	4,885	3,413	1,772	1,151
Total, Payments to or for the States	15,649	182,891	194,248	80,702	82,343
Self-balancing Items .. ..	2,015	(h) 51,868	6,091	2,381	1,006
GRAND TOTAL .. ..	94,437	(i) 1,026,667	(j) 966,519	435,233	442,403
PER HEAD OF POPULATION .. ..	£ s. d. 13 12 5	£ s. d. 117 7 6	£ s. d. 108 11 10	£ s. d. 49 1 8	£ s. d. 48 19 10

(a) Includes exchange on interest payments. (b) For expenditure on Social Services, see page 64.  
(c) Expenditure on the Departments of Defence, Navy, Army, Air, Supply and Defence Production.  
Includes Capital Works and Services. (d) Includes redemption of War Savings Certificates 1952-53, £6,208,000 and 1953-54, £5,292,000. (e) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account expenditure. (f) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (g) Excludes balance of interest payable on States debts (recoverable from States). (h) Includes transfers to Wool Disposals Profit Fund, £42,361,000. (i) Excludes transfer of surplus revenue, £13,400,000, to War Pensions Trust Account. (j) Excludes transfer of surplus revenue, £56,271,000 to Debt Redemption Reserve.



## COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Total to 30th June, 1954.
War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services	..	..	..	..	..	372,990
Defence and War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges .. ..	..	28,773	5,120	5,684	4,199	1,628,689
<b>Works and Services—</b>						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites ..	1,912	Cr. 12	..	..	..	8,632
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks .. ..	Cr. 305	..	..	..	..	7,694
Lighthouses, Works and Services ..	Cr. 1	..	..	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department ..	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	..	40,530
Health Buildings, Laboratories and Services .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	102
War Service Homes(a) .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	13,750
Territories(b) .. ..	Cr. 7	Cr. 16	Cr. 1	Cr. 9	Cr. 12	8,723
Other .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,109
Assistance to States—						
Housing .. ..	..	21,640	26,547	30,000	37,200	178,209
Other .. ..	1,996	..	..	..	..	13,943
Wheat Bounty .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
<b>Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &amp;c. .. ..</b>	<b>3,594</b>	<b>21,610</b>	<b>26,542</b>	<b>29,986</b>	<b>37,187</b>	<b>238,454</b>
International Bank Dollar Loan(c) ..	..	4,044	23,831	17,935	21,468	67,278
Swiss Loan (d) .. ..	..	..	..	..	5,792	5,792
<b>GRAND TOTAL .. ..</b>	<b>3,594</b>	<b>54,427</b>	<b>55,493</b>	<b>53,605</b>	<b>68,646</b>	<b>2,363,203</b>

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes administration and other public buildings, Australian Capital Territory. (c) Repayments paid to National Debt Sinking Fund. (d) Repayments paid to Swiss Loan Trust Account.

## PUBLIC LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA FOR DEFENCE, WAR (1939-45) AND POST-WAR CHARGES, ETC.(a)

Year and Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Sub- scribers.	Allocation of Proceeds.			Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			Commonwealth.		States.		
			Defence, War (1939-45) and Post-war Charges.	Advances to States for Housing.			
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%	
1948—September ..	15,000	84,472	52	..	15,000	3½	1962
1949—March ..	43,239	54,860	5,539	32,140	24,145	2, 3½	1952, 1960-63
1949—September ..	25,912	63,504	..	..	45,167	..	1953, 1960-63
1950—March ..	40,875	46,066	11,887	17,215	31,576	..	1953, 1961-64
1950—August ..	12,898	46,302	1,301	..	47,000	..	..
1950—November ..	21,253	32,160	..	..	30,000	..	..
1951—May ..	40,000	46,192	328	..	48,938	..	1954, (b) 1962-65
1951—August ..	40,000	22,628	..	3,840	28,660	2, 3½	1954, 1962-65
1951—November ..	13,233	12,909	..	1,470	12,076	..	..
1952—March ..	30,533	19,449	..	1,787	15,862	..	1955, 1962-65
1952—November ..	20,000	26,925	..	2,459	17,810	4½	1961
1953—March ..	29,789	20,341	92	3,595	28,331	3, 4½	(c) 1955, 1962
1953—September ..	50,000	30,977	..	6,850	59,468	..	1955, 1966
1954—March ..	35,000	24,974	..	72	52,000	..	(d) 1957, 1967
1954—August ..	37,594	26,832	..	..	46,505	..	(d) 1957, 1967
1954—November ..	50,000	18,383	..	..	37,159	..	(e) 1957, 1968
1955—March ..	40,000	13,295	..	..	44,095	..	(f) 1957, 1968

(a) Excludes redemption and conversion loans. (b) Price of issue: £99. (c) Price of issue: £99 10s. (d) Price of issue: £93 10s. (e) Price of issue £93 15s. (f) Price of Issue: £99 5s.

## COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.

For a summary of Commonwealth Public Debt as at 30th June, 1954, see page 63.

**COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION,  
1952-53.(a)**

Grade of Actual Income and State or Territory of Assessment.	Number of Taxpayers.	Taxable Income.			Net Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessed.
		Personal Exertion.	Property.	Total.	
£        £	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
105- 200 .. ..	200,711	27,939	2,311	30,250	434
201- 300 .. ..	270,729	59,742	4,272	64,014	1,985
301- 400 .. ..	307,080	94,107	4,696	98,803	4,860
401- 500 .. ..	363,271	142,189	4,758	146,947	9,569
501- 600 .. ..	371,461	168,635	4,862	173,497	13,350
601- 700 .. ..	486,388	249,831	4,647	254,478	22,031
701- 800 .. ..	434,711	252,791	4,587	257,378	24,955
801- 900 .. ..	306,206	199,524	4,186	203,710	21,846
901- 1,000 .. ..	196,872	141,905	3,809	145,714	17,093
1,001- 1,250 .. ..	214,482	179,946	7,611	187,557	25,203
1,251- 1,500 .. ..	80,306	84,177	6,002	90,179	14,657
1,501- 2,000 .. ..	72,535	97,327	8,920	106,247	21,019
2,001- 3,000 .. ..	56,460	109,575	11,542	121,117	31,511
3,001- 4,000 .. ..	23,868	67,115	7,582	74,697	24,598
4,001- 5,000 .. ..	12,018	43,971	5,235	49,206	19,168
5,001-10,000 .. ..	15,086	80,026	12,328	92,354	47,391
10,001-15,000 .. ..	2,354	22,002	4,390	26,392	17,027
15,001 and over .. ..	1,323	22,973	7,234	30,207	22,233
Total Residents .. ..	3,415,861	2,043,775	108,972	2,152,747	338,930
Central Office .. ..	12,369	22,733	10,734	33,467	16,781
New South Wales .. ..	1,303,508	775,995	36,129	812,124	119,930
Victoria .. ..	991,386	593,316	33,280	626,596	93,973
Queensland .. ..	447,779	239,050	9,728	248,778	37,373
South Australia .. ..	311,114	196,670	10,472	207,142	33,852
Western Australia .. ..	224,923	146,549	5,881	152,430	27,579
Tasmania .. ..	107,223	58,171	2,526	60,697	7,770
Northern Territory .. ..	4,654	2,875	35	2,910	384
Australian Capital Territory	12,905	8,416	187	8,603	1,288
Total Residents .. ..	3,415,861	2,043,775	108,972	2,152,747	338,930
Total Non-Residents .. ..	4,404	944	3,157	4,101	1,245
GRAND TOTAL INDIVIDUALS .. ..	3,420,265	2,044,719	112,129	2,156,848	340,175
Companies (b) .. ..	25,130	..	..	414,115	(c) 157,070

(a) Assessed on income for year 1951-52.  
Undistributed Profits Tax.

(b) Preliminary, subject to revision.

(c) Includes

## COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1952-53.

Grade of Dutiable Value.		Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	£	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1- 1,000	.. ..	5,844	12,863	2,516	75
1,001- 2,000	.. ..	3,131	10,358	4,569	137
2,001- 3,000	.. ..	2,023	8,927	5,033	151
3,001- 4,000	.. ..	1,393	7,596	4,857	145
4,001- 5,000	.. ..	1,072	7,067	4,880	153
5,001-10,000	.. ..	2,698	24,872	18,861	559
10,001-20,000	.. ..	2,090	34,915	29,772	1,301
20,001-50,000	.. ..	1,178	41,940	34,703	2,849
50,001 and over	.. ..	234	27,134	20,120	3,879
Total	.. ..	19,663	175,672	125,311	9,249

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1952-53.

## COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

NOTE.—An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, all goods sold by wholesale in Australia, including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degree. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustments to be made to the crude figures on this account. Monthly totals are compiled on a basis comparable with the monthly averages for preceding years.

## Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia.(a)

(£'000.)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Taxable Sales.(a)									Sales Tax Payable.
		8½ per cent.	10 per cent.	12½ per cent.	16½ per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	33½ per cent.	50 per cent.	66½ per cent.	Total.
1938-39 ..	477,147	196,491	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	196,491 9,363
1949-50 ..	1,321,826	376,453	68,577	..	..	..	10,221	..	..	..	455,251 40,789
1950-51 ..	1,686,233	469,975	49,463	..	..	..	11,325	22,584	..	..	547,347 53,984
1951-52 ..	1,945,086	134,246	24,243	327,442	..	85,192	6,079	36,276	4,983	4,929	623,390 91,332
1952-53 ..	1,897,669	..	..	403,680	..	121,413	134	23,000	6,794	369	555,390 86,035
1953-54 ..	2,154,269	..	..	483,736	176,136	24,265	..	3,007	802	..	687,946 96,079
Quarter—											
1953—											
Dec. ..	576,961	..	..	137,202	59,322	..	..	..	..	..	196,524 27,037
1954—											
Mar. ..	494,203	..	..	115,426	46,026	..	..	..	..	..	161,452 22,099
June ..	563,275	..	..	121,509	54,315	..	..	..	..	..	175,824 24,241
Sept. ..	595,032	..	21,672	115,001	56,309	..	..	..	..	..	192,982 25,927
Dec.(b) ..	632,903	..	45,659	110,098	51,955	..	..	..	..	..	207,712 26,666
Month—											
1954—											
Oct. ....	206,003	..	14,359	34,698	17,355	..	..	..	..	..	66,412 8,666
Nov.(b) ..	213,900	..	14,900	37,400	17,600	..	..	..	..	..	69,900 9,000
Dec.(b) ..	213,000	..	16,400	38,000	17,000	..	..	..	..	..	71,400 9,000

(a) The general rate was 4 per cent. to 21st September, 1938 and 5 per cent. to 8th September, 1939. The 10 per cent. rate came into operation on 15th November, 1946, and superseded the general rate of 12½ per cent., which, together with the 25 per cent. rate, operated from 1st May, 1942. On 8th September, 1949, the general rate was reduced to 8½ per cent. From 13th October, 1950, additional rates of 10 per cent. and 33½ per cent. were introduced. On 27th September, 1951, the general rate was increased to 12½ per cent. and rates of 20 per cent., 50 per cent. and 66½ per cent. were introduced. From 7th August, 1952, the rate of 66½ per cent. was reduced to 50 per cent. and the rate of 25 per cent. eliminated. From 9th September, 1953, the rates of 50 per cent., 33½ per cent. and 20 per cent. were eliminated and the rate of 16½ per cent. was introduced. From 19th August, 1954, the rate of 10 per cent. was re-introduced.

(b) Preliminary.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. The following adjustments have been made to the Budget figures for 1953–54 to obviate duplications within the combined accounts and to obtain uniformity with the other States—(i) Treasury transfers to Railway revenue £1,000,000 and (ii) Commonwealth Hospital Benefits £2,050,000 paid to Consolidated Revenue and then distributed to hospitals, have been deducted from the Budget Revenue total of £189,692,000 and from the Expenditure total of £192,009,000. In addition, £2,445,000 has been deducted from expenditure on account of debt charges not recouped to Consolidated Revenue Fund from Business Undertakings and on account of contributions from Consolidated Revenue Fund towards losses on Tramway and Omnibus Services. Although contributions towards accumulated losses of Business Undertakings have been made from Consolidated Revenue Fund in previous years, no adjustment to aggregate expenditure was made until 1952–53. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transaction of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The following Treasury transfers to Business Undertakings have been excluded from Revenue and Expenditure—New South Wales (as stated above)—Railways £1,000,000; Victoria—Railways £1,935,000 and South Australia—Railways £4,000,000.

### STATE REVENUES. (£'000.)

Sources of Revenue and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (a)	W. Aust. (a)	Tas. (a)(b)	Total.
1953–54.							
Taxation(c) .. ..	19,104	17,206	8,299	6,540	(d) 3,346	3,472	57,967
Railways .. ..	74,569	35,841	28,952	12,806	11,377	..	163,545
Tramways and Omnibuses .. ..	11,575	..	..	..	1,027	..	12,602
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. ..	2,472	5,322	..	3,947	2,867	4	14,612
Land .. ..	3,644	2,683	3,967	310	964	474	12,042
Interest n.e.i. .. ..	968	3,054	1,462	2,734	1,126	1,851	11,195
Commonwealth Payments (e) .. ..	59,170	37,100	23,798	19,065	19,620	6,598	165,351
All other Sources .. ..	15,140	(f) 5,542	3,218	2,974	3,269	886	31,029
Total Revenue 1953–54 .. ..	186,642	106,748	69,696	48,376	43,596	13,285	468,343
Total Revenue per head .. ..	£ s. d. 54 16 0	£ s. d. 44 1 2	£ s. d. 53 11 9	£ s. d. 61 10 9	£ s. d. 69 2 10	£ s. d. 42 18 8	£ s. d. 52 17 9
1952–53 .. ..	180,908	96,995	63,171	44,251	38,725	(b) 12,061	436,111
1951–52 .. ..	167,095	81,661	55,753	37,588	33,955	(b) 10,469	386,521
1950–51 .. ..	128,298	63,546	44,723	31,072	28,974	(b) 7,819	304,432
1949–50 .. ..	106,504	55,557	37,119	26,360	26,018	(b) 7,077	258,635
1938–39 .. ..	51,098	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,282

### STATE EXPENDITURES. (£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas. (a)(b)	Total.
1953–54.							
Interest and Charges on Public Debt .. ..	19,817	14,327	8,965	8,237	6,488	3,391	61,225
Railways .. ..	64,182	34,607	28,303	14,160	14,357	..	155,609
Tramways and Omnibuses .. ..	13,446	..	..	..	1,154	..	14,600
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. ..	1,705	4,181	411	3,459	3,207	(g) 913	13,876
Education .. ..	27,805	17,391	8,082	5,589	5,544	2,810	67,221
Hospitals .. ..	16,294	11,601	7,051	3,547	3,367	1,488	43,348
Other Charities .. ..	3,278	2,867	1,838	792	970	399	10,144
All other Expenditure .. ..	39,987	21,063	14,703	10,782	(h) 8,612	(i) 4,269	99,416
Total Expenditure 1953–54 .. ..	186,514	106,037	69,353	46,566	43,699	13,270	465,439
Total Expenditure per head .. ..	£ s. d. 54 15 3	£ s. d. 43 15 3	£ s. d. 53 6 6	£ s. d. 59 4 8	£ s. d. 69 5 10	£ s. d. 42 17 8	£ s. d. 52 11 2
1952–53 .. ..	180,811	97,360	62,980	44,226	39,233	(b) 11,763	436,373
1951–52 .. ..	166,997	84,067	55,708	37,499	34,547	(b) 10,871	389,689
1950–51 .. ..	128,265	63,889	44,625	30,842	28,814	(b) 8,066	304,501
1949–50 .. ..	107,681	55,816	37,090	26,550	25,994	(b) 7,344	260,475
1938–39 .. ..	53,558	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	128,159

(a) Revenue includes balance of Special Grant for 1951–52—South Australia—£200,000, Western Australia—£450,000, Tasmania—£150,000.

(b) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of the Transport Commission.

(c) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1953–54, see p. 62.

(d) Gross collections. (e) Includes Commonwealth tax reimbursements. (f) Includes contribution to revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways, £71,000.

(g) Losses of Transport Commission. (h) Includes reduction of 1951–52 deficit, £450,000.

(i) Includes reduction of 1951–52 adjusted surplus, —£150,000.



**STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR, 1953-54.**  
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
<b>Works and Services—</b>							
Railways ..	11,331	8,838	5,536	1,374	5,717	303	33,099
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	754	..	..	600	69	..	1,285
Roads and Bridges ..	353	1,510	Cr. 75	Cr. 20	..	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	1,493	245	Cr. 2	711	1,164	766	6,145
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	3,562	8,417	2,680	4,975	1,806	343	21,783
Electricity Supply ..	16,500	6,000	..	5,000	703	8,138	36,341
Public Buildings ..	11,274	10,677	2,135	1,598	1,572	1,538	28,794
Unemployment Relief ..	Cr. 25	Cr. 12	..	..	..	..	Cr. 37
Housing ..	1,008	Cr. 20	353	3,229	1,001	1,828	7,399
Other(b) ..	673	395	5,099	131	351	300	6,949
<b>Primary Production—</b>							
Land Settlement(c) ..	3,387	2,527	123	92	13	83	6,225
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	5,013	..	1,109	731	163	..	7,016
Other ..	1,404	1,105	1,493	3,189	233	169	7,593
Other purposes ..	..	2,828	..	451	1,540	Cr. 31	4,788
<b>Total Works, &amp;c. ..</b>	<b>56,727</b>	<b>42,510</b>	<b>18,451</b>	<b>22,061</b>	<b>14,194</b>	<b>13,437</b>	<b>167,380</b>
<b>Non-Works—</b>							
Per Head ..	£ s. d. 16 13 2	£ s. d. 17 10 11	£ s. d. 14 3 9	£ s. d. 28 1 4	£ s. d. 22 10 2	£ s. d. 43 8 5	£ s. d. 18 18 0
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	..	..	..	..	60	552	612
Other(d) ..	367	139	..	61	41	Cr. 217	391
<b>Grand Total ..</b>	<b>57,094</b>	<b>42,649</b>	<b>18,451</b>	<b>22,122</b>	<b>14,295</b>	<b>13,772</b>	<b>168,383</b>

**TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1954.**  
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)(e)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
<b>Works and Services—</b>							
Railways ..	235,479	118,597	98,236	50,818	50,360	13,879	567,369
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	18,635	..	..	6,441	2,055	..	26,531
Roads and Bridges ..	21,629	18,181	10,889	4,686	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	30,618	2,627	4,094	12,280	12,757	10,374	131,318
Water Supply and Sewerage ..	47,673	75,979	8,142	44,611	24,842	1,387	202,634
Electricity Supply ..	74,503	41,089	..	26,650	13,777	43,769	199,788
Public Buildings ..	62,488	49,033	20,068	12,673	12,030	8,838	165,130
Unemployment Relief ..	16,029	13,147	..	..	..	330	29,506
Housing ..	9,209	9,813	7,163	30,305	4,152	10,060	70,702
Other(b) ..	14,159	5,580	40,588	2,565	2,952	4,084	69,928
<b>Primary Production—</b>							
Land Settlement(c) ..	37,562	83,489	9,589	9,453	13,164	2,445	155,702
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	42,417	..	6,403	11,713	6,341	..	66,874
Other ..	15,815	18,200	21,297	11,482	16,739	2,254	85,787
Other purposes ..	90	17,265	..	4,518	14,809	2,425	39,107
<b>Total Works, &amp;c. ..</b>	<b>625,706</b>	<b>453,000</b>	<b>226,469</b>	<b>228,195</b>	<b>177,161</b>	<b>99,845</b>	<b>1,810,376</b>
<b>Non-Works—</b>							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	38,948	15,456	5,826	8,730	12,175	3,176	84,311
Other(d) ..	27,552	10,204	15,998	3,347	6,037	1,833	64,971
<b>Grand Total ..</b>	<b>692,206</b>	<b>478,660</b>	<b>248,293</b>	<b>240,272</b>	<b>195,373</b>	<b>104,854</b>	<b>1,959,658</b>

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes loans to Local Bodies, &c. (c) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldier Land Settlement. (d) Discount and flotation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (e) Aggregate gross loan expenditure.

**STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1954.**

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust. (a)	£'000. Stg. (b)	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust. (c)	£'000. Stg. (d)	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)
New South Wales ..	481,611	122,281	10,603	614,495	15,493	3,921	357	19,771
Victoria ..	328,456	44,908	3,600	376,964	10,874	1,453	138	12,465
Queensland ..	172,165	43,878	4,353	220,396	5,621	1,456	156	7,233
South Australia ..	177,720	34,502	1,397	213,619	5,814	1,084	54	6,952
Western Australia ..	128,604	35,819	1,360	165,783	4,172	1,100	60	5,332
Tasmania ..	90,463	7,004	224	97,691	3,030	232	7	3,269
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>1,379,019</b>	<b>288,392</b>	<b>21,537</b>	<b>1,688,948</b>	<b>45,004</b>	<b>9,246</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>55,022</b>

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State public debt leaving out of account differences in currency. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

## REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Six States.	Common- wealth.	Grand Total. (b)
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1953.									
<b>Revenue—</b>									
Commonwealth Payments ..	23,952	15,049	9,614	8,204	8,897	2,740	68,456	..	..
Taxation ..	9,272	6,706	3,903	2,439	1,377	1,609	25,306	349,544	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	36,733	16,763	15,622	6,471	5,197	..	80,786	1,575	..
Other ..	6,805	291	..	2,107	1,996	..	11,199	35,944	..
Other ..	8,620	4,625	3,884	2,048	2,297	1,249	22,723	19,717	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>85,382</b>	<b>43,434</b>	<b>33,023</b>	<b>21,269</b>	<b>19,764</b>	<b>5,598</b>	<b>208,470</b>	<b>406,780</b>	<b>544,110</b>
<b>Expenditure—</b>									
Payments to States (c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	80,702	..
Debt Services ..	9,474	6,908	4,205	3,882	3,202	1,572	29,243	36,359	..
Business Undertakings (d)—									
Railways ..	33,041	17,050	14,475	7,290	7,145 (e)	550	79,551	1,786	..
Other ..	7,450	434	..	1,659	1,610	..	11,153	33,734	..
Other ..	37,992	24,935	14,519	9,356	9,746	4,074	100,622	282,652	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>87,957</b>	<b>49,327</b>	<b>33,199</b>	<b>22,187</b>	<b>21,703</b>	<b>6,196</b>	<b>220,569</b>	<b>435,233</b>	<b>584,662</b>
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	— 2,575	— 5,893	— 176	— 918	— 1,939	— 598	— 12,099	— 28,453	— 40,552

## SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1954.

<b>Revenue—</b>									
Commonwealth Payments ..	25,087	15,891	10,094	6,099	8,889	3,192	69,252	..	..
Taxation ..	10,257	9,850	4,203	3,504	1,752	1,299	30,865	348,079	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	38,778	18,511	16,971	6,808	6,260	..	87,328	1,605	..
Other ..	7,122	343	..	2,375	2,064	..	11,904	38,538	..
Other ..	8,756	5,256	3,874	2,736	2,503	1,527	24,652	18,311	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>90,000</b>	<b>49,851</b>	<b>35,142</b>	<b>21,522</b>	<b>21,468</b>	<b>6,018</b>	<b>224,001</b>	<b>406,533</b>	<b>558,275</b>
<b>Expenditure—</b>									
Payments to States (c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	82,343	..
Debt Services ..	10,728	8,127	4,430	4,578	3,576	2,008	33,447	36,246	..
Business Undertakings (d)									
Railways ..	33,966	17,889	15,252	5,816	7,161 (e)	508	80,592	1,450	..
Other ..	7,182	356	..	1,721	1,657	..	10,916	34,771	..
Other ..	42,622	25,223	15,744	12,111	10,118	4,364	110,182	287,593	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>94,498</b>	<b>51,595</b>	<b>35,426</b>	<b>24,226</b>	<b>22,512</b>	<b>6,880</b>	<b>235,137</b>	<b>442,403</b>	<b>605,281</b>
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	— 4,498	— 1,744	— 284	— 2,704	— 1,044	— 862	— 11,136	— 35,870	— 47,006

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department, Road Transport and Traffic Fund, and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, special financial assistance, interest on States' debts, special grants and prices, &c., control reimbursement grants; also deductions have been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government. (c) Includes payments to State trust funds. (d) Excludes interest, &c., charges. (e) Loss by Transport Commission.

## NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(£'000.)

Six Months Ended December—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total Six States.	Common- wealth. (a)	Grand Total.
1953 .. ..	15,586	13,306	6,577	8,067	6,542	4,188	54,266	15,547	69,813
1954 .. ..	20,517	14,848	6,779	10,069	6,304	5,757	64,274	12,842	77,116

(a) Excludes payment to National Debt Sinking Fund on account of the International Bank Dollar Loan and payment to Swiss Loan Trust Account on account of Swiss Loan.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1953-54.(a)

(£'000.)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.l.).	Motor Taxes.	Entertainments (including Racing).	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
New South Wales ..	..	33	2	8,014	5,645	10,645	2,890	2,520	29,749
Victoria ..	..	27	2,016	5,387	3,685	5,883	3,107	2,195	22,300
Queensland ..	..	21	1,080	2,353	2,548	4,806	297	1,712	12,817
South Australia ..	..	4	568	1,593	1,040	2,468	1,087	151	6,911
Western Australia ..	..	7	297	877	1,197	1,338	586	380	4,682
Tasmania ..	..	..	175	476	428	737	259	1,683	3,758
Total States ..	..	92	4,138	18,700	14,543	25,877	8,226	8,641	80,217
Commonwealth ..	220,217	528,181	221	9,825	..	..	1,977	6140,029	900,450
Grand Total ..	220,217	528,273	4,359	28,525	14,543	25,877	10,203	148,670	980,667

## PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

New South Wales ..	..	0 0 2	..	2 7 1	1 13 2	3 2 6	0 17 0	0 14 9	8 14 8
Victoria ..	..	0 0 3	0 16 8	2 4 6	1 10 6	2 8 7	1 5 8	0 18 2	9 4 4
Queensland ..	..	0 0 4	0 16 7	1 16 2	1 19 2	3 14 0	0 4 7	1 6 4	9 17 2
South Australia ..	..	0 0 1	0 14 5	2 0 6	1 6 5	3 2 9	1 7 8	0 3 10	8 15 8
Western Australia ..	..	0 0 3	0 9 5	1 7 10	1 18 0	2 2 5	0 18 7	0 12 0	7 8 6
Tasmania ..	..	..	0 11 4	1 10 9	1 7 8	2 7 8	0 16 9	5 8 8	12 2 10
Total States ..	..	0 0 3	0 9 4	2 2 3	1 12 11	2 18 5	0 18 6	0 19 6	9 1 2
Commonwealth ..	24 14 10	59 6 10	0 0 6	1 2 1	..	..	0 4 5	615 14 8	101 3 4
Grand Total ..	24 14 10	59 7 0	0 9 10	3 4 1	1 12 8	2 18 1	1 2 11	16 14 2	110 3 7

(a) Includes taxes paid to special funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 54 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Includes Sales Tax £95,689,000, £10 15s. 0d. per head of population; and Pay-roll Tax, £40,400,000, £4 10s. 9d. per head of population.

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.

(£'000.)

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
1938-39 ..	47,633	11,883	9,308	5,287	74,111	50,507	124,618
1950-51 ..	165,004	(a) 451,488	57,173	103,522	777,187	51,762	828,949
1951-52 ..	213,917	(a) 551,142	95,459	73,493	934,011	63,010	997,021
1952-53 ..	183,824	(a) 554,737	89,067	67,836	895,464	70,987	966,451
1953-54 ..	220,217	(a) 528,181	95,689	56,363	900,450	80,217	980,667

## PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

1938-39 ..	6 17 5	1 14 3	1 6 10	0 15 3	10 13 9	7 6 1	17 19 5
1950-51 ..	19 17 0	(a) 54 6 5	6 17 7	12 9 2	93 10 2	6 5 1	99 14 9
1951-52 ..	25 1 0	(a) 64 10 10	11 3 7	8 12 1	109 7 6	7 8 3	116 15 1
1952-53 ..	21 0 4	(a) 63 8 4	10 3 8	7 15 1	102 7 5	8 3 1	110 9 9
1953-54 ..	24 14 10	(a) 59 6 10	10 15 0	6 6 8	101 3 4	9 1 2	110 3 7

(a) Includes Wool Deduction—1950-51, £109,531,000 (£13 3s. 7d. per head); 1951-52, £5,963,000 (14s. 0d. per head); 1952-53, —£2,223,000 (—5s. 1d. per head); and 1953-54, —£239,000 (—6d. per head).

## TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1953-54.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Tax Reimbursement ..	47,733	20,352	19,257	10,384	9,623	4,066	120,415
State Tax Collections	29,749	22,300	12,817	6,911	4,682	3,758	80,217
Total ..	77,482	51,652	32,074	17,295	14,305	7,824	200,632
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Per head of population	22 15 0	21 6 4	24 13 3	22 0 0	22 13 8	25 5 8	22 13 2

## COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable or Payable.	At 30th June—				At 31st December, 1954.
		1939.	1952.	1953.	1954.	
TOTAL DEBT. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-18)	Australia £A.	175,194	148,561	144,799	138,430	135,138
	London £Stg.(a)	11,020	7,534	7,534	7,534	7,534
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	..	1,479,140	1,467,002	1,458,992	1,460,095
	London £Stg.	..	5,775	5,775	5,775	5,775
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	43,303	149,236	176,842	209,587	218,195
	London £Stg.	72,097	50,434	50,071	49,478	49,061
	New York £(b)	15,913	28,139	36,192	41,933	45,456
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	6,126	6,126
Total ..	Australia £A.	218,497	1,776,937	1,788,643	1,807,009	1,813,428
	London £Stg.	83,117	63,743	63,880	62,787	62,370
	New York £(b)	15,913	28,139	36,192	41,933	45,456
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	6,126	6,126
Total(d) ..	..	317,527	1,863,819	1,888,215	1,917,855	1,927,380
State ..	Australia £A.	485,179	1,081,599	1,230,464	1,379,019	1,459,573
	London £Stg.	384,328	290,095	289,493	288,392	287,887
	New York £(b)	23,265	23,092	23,751	21,537	20,479
Total(d) ..	..	897,772	1,395,676	1,543,648	1,688,948	1,767,939
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	703,676	2,858,526	3,019,047	3,186,028	3,273,001
	London £Stg.	467,445	353,838	352,873	351,170	350,257
	New York £(b)	44,178	52,131	59,943	63,470	65,935
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	6,126	6,126
Total(d) ..	..	1,215,299	3,264,495	3,431,863	3,606,803	3,695,319

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.  
(£ s. d.)

Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	100 19 10	330 10 5	341 18 7	354 13 3	362 9 4
	London £Stg.	67 1 8	40 13 3	39 19 4	39 1 10	33 15 10
	New York £(b)	6 6 10	6 0 7	6 15 9	7 1 4	7 6 0
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	0 13 8	0 13 7
Total(d) ..	..	174 8 4	377 9 3	388 13 8	401 10 1	409 4 9

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.  
(£'000.)

Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	25,585	77,946	86,576	94,924	97,085
	London £Stg.(a)	18,366	11,267	11,355	11,353	11,322
	New York £(b)	2,210	2,103	2,453	2,599	2,647
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	245	245
Total(e) ..	..	46,170	91,321	100,384	109,121	111,299

AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE PER CENT.  
(£ s. d.)

Commonwealth and State ..	Australia ..	3 12 9	2 14 6	2 17 4	2 19 7	2 19 4
	London(a) ..	3 18 7	3 3 8	3 4 4	3 4 8	3 4 8
	New York ..	5 0 6	4 0 10	4 1 10	4 1 11	4 0 3
	Switzerland ..	..	..	..	4 0 0	4 0 0
Total ..	..	3 16 0	2 16 0	2 18 6	3 0 6	3 0 3

(a) Excludes debt (£79,724,000) and interest payable (£3,920,000) due to United Kingdom Government under the Funding Arrangements Act 1921. Repayment of this debt and payment of interest were suspended in 1931 by arrangement with the United Kingdom Government. (b) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4 8665 to £1. (c) Payable in Swiss francs converted on the basis of 9 79512 fr. to £1. (d) The total "face" or "book" values of the public debt of the Commonwealth and States, without adjustment on account of differences in currency (see note (b)). (e) Nominal amount, taking no account of exchange.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)  
(£'000.)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—					At 31st December, 1954.
		1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A. ..	108,280	108,280	153,280	225,000	190,000	215,000
	London £Stg. ..	1,470	1,220	970	720	470	220
State ..	Australia £A. ..	..	2,400	..	..	..	..
	London £Stg. ..	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868
Total ..	Australia £A. ..	108,280	110,680	153,280	225,000	190,000	215,000
	London £Stg. ..	24,338	24,088	23,838	23,588	23,338	23,088

(a) Included above; excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.



**Section VII.—Social Statistics.**  
**COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.**  
 (£'000.)

Social and Health Services.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Six Months ended December—	
					1953.	1954.
Social Benefits—						
Age and Invalid Pensions ..	15,992	59,788	72,424	81,293	39,663	43,414
Child Endowment ..	..	46,625	53,244	50,761	25,906	26,913
Community Rehabilitation ..	..	361	454	429	222	213
Funeral Benefits ..	..	276	270	288	158	169
Maternity Allowances ..	436	3,157	3,248	3,226	1,639	1,664
Unemployment and Sickness Benefits ..	..	1,008	6,255	4,543	2,742	1,326
Widows' Pensions ..	..	5,615	6,334	6,626	3,224	3,273
National Health Services—						
Hospital Benefits ..	..	6,683	7,223	8,330	4,076	4,351
Medical Benefits ..	..	..	..	1,434	203	1,888
Medical Benefits for Pensioners ..	..	1,036	1,740	2,115	1,076	1,276
Nutrition for Children ..	..	815	1,521	1,999	858	619
Pharmaceutical Benefits ..	..	7,327	6,487	8,219	3,576	4,227
Pharmaceutical Benefits for Pensioners ..	..	358	729	1,011	465	646
Miscellaneous ..	..	162	183	216	95	117
Mental Institution Benefits ..	..	518	523	495	203	133
Tuberculosis Campaign(a) ..	..	3,879	4,876	5,580	1,144	1,342
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>16,428</b>	<b>137,608</b>	<b>165,511</b>	<b>176,565</b>	<b>85,250</b>	<b>91,571</b>

(a) Includes allowances and reimbursements to States for maintenance of hospitals.

**COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.**

State and Year.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.		Pensions Paid during Year. (a)	
	Age.	Invalid.	Total Age and Invalid.	Age.	Invalid.	Age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per Head of Popn.
						£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
1953-54.									
New South Wales(b)	164,706	35,611	200,317	477	103	6 14 2 6 17 11		34,042	9 18 2
Victoria ..	98,210	15,882	114,092	400	65	6 14 8 6 14 8		19,978	8 4 11
Queensland ..	58,361	11,022	69,383	443	84	6 14 6 6 17 2		12,017	9 4 9
South Australia(c)	36,353	4,511	40,864	447	55	6 13 6 6 16 10		7,075	8 16 5
Western Australia ..	27,248	4,101	31,349	426	64	6 14 0 6 16 7		5,375	8 10 5
Tasmania ..	12,906	2,605	15,511	418	84	6 9 10 6 14 1		2,794	9 0 7
Abroad ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..
<b>Australia ..</b>	<b>397,784</b>	<b>73,732</b>	<b>471,516</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>6 14 2 6 16 10</b>		<b>81,293</b>	<b>9 2 8</b>
1952-53 ..	374,791	70,232	445,023	425	80	6 8 4 6 10 11		72,424	8 10 5
1951-52 ..	352,049	67,963	420,012	408	79	5 14 2 5 16 4		59,788	7 0 2
1950-51 ..	342,806	68,918	411,724	407	82	4 15 5 4 16 8		49,520	5 19 3
1949-50 ..	334,923	73,494	408,417	409	90	4 0 10 4 2 0		44,557	5 10 9
1938-39 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	(d)	(d)	15,992	2 6 2

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Homes for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these homes and from year 1943-44 includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) Combined rate 38s. 5d.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay age pensions on 1st July, 1909, and invalid pensions on 15th December, 1910. Age pensions are payable to women of 60 years and over, and to men of 65 years and over, who are natural-born or naturalized British subjects with residence for at least 20 years in Australia or Australian Territory. Invalid pensions are payable after five years' residence in Australia to natural-born or naturalized persons of sixteen years or over who are permanently incapacitated for work or are permanently blind and have become so in Australia. Fortnightly rate £7 from 29th October, 1953. These pensions are subject to income and property qualifications.

## COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT.

State, etc. and Year.	Endowed Families at 30th June.		Number per 10,000 of Population.		Amount paid during Year.	
	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Claims.	Endowed Children. (a)	Amount.	Per Head of Population.
	No.	No.			£'000.	£ s. d.
1953-54.						
New South Wales(b)	501,272	1,031,898	1,451	2,988	19,138	5 11 5
Victoria ..	339,022	699,220	1,382	2,851	13,165	5 8 8
Queensland ..	183,726	407,970	1,394	3,094	8,003	6 3 1
South Australia(c)	117,644	245,973	1,446	3,023	4,577	5 14 2
Western Australia..	93,117	202,098	1,456	3,159	3,883	6 3 2
Tasmania ..	45,246	101,540	1,465	3,288	1,989	6 8 6
Abroad ..	412	878	..	..	6	..
<b>Total ..</b>	<b>1,280,439</b>	<b>2,689,577</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>2,993</b>	<b>50,761</b>	<b>5 14 1</b>
1952-53 ..	1,246,986	2,599,026	1,415	2,948	53,244	6 1 11
1951-52 ..	1,205,421	2,493,246	1,396	2,887	46,625	5 9 4
1950-51 ..	1,150,847	2,365,177	1,366	2,808	43,585	5 5 0
1949-50 ..	662,949	1,813,925	811	2,218	30,337	3 15 5

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions at 30th June, 1954, 27,397 in 387 institutions; 1953, 24,951 in 376 institutions; 1952, 24,623 in 379 institutions; 1951, 23,753 in 370 institutions; 1950, 22,397 in 375 institutions. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—From 1st July, 1941, the scheme provided for payment of 5s. per week (increased to 7s. 6d. per week from 26th June, 1945, and to 10s. per week from 9th November, 1948) for each child in excess of one under sixteen years of age maintained in a family, and for each child under sixteen years of age in an approved institution.

From 20th June, 1950, the rate of endowment payable has been (i) where the endowee has the custody of one child only—5s. per week; (ii) where the endowee has the custody of two or more children—in respect of the elder or eldest child 5s. per week and in respect of each other child 10s. per week; and (iii) for each child in an approved institution 10s. per week.

## COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS.(a)

State and Year.	Pensions Current at 30th June.(a)		Number of Children for whom Pensions Payable at 30th June.	Average Fort- nightly Rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during Year.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Popula- tion.			Amount.	Per Head of Popula- tion.
					£'000.	s. d.
1953-54.						
New South Wales(b)	16,675	48	7,844	6 8 0	2,767	16 1
Victoria ..	9,827	40	3,853	6 5 3	1,567	12 1
Queensland ..	6,943	53	3,242	6 7 6	1,119	17 2
South Australia(c)	3,157	39	1,339	6 4 9	506	12 7
Western Australia..	2,753	43	1,106	6 4 0	435	13 10
Tasmania ..	1,371	44	716	6 5 0	231	14 11
Abroad ..	..	..	..	..	1	..
<b>Australia ..</b>	<b>40,726</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>18,100</b>	<b>6 6 8</b>	<b>6,626</b>	<b>14 11</b>
1952-53 ..	41,028	47	17,980	6 0 0	6,334	14 6
1951-52 ..	40,758	47	17,424	5 8 2	5,615	13 2
1950-51 ..	41,962	50	17,717	4 10 10	4,828	11 8
1949-50 ..	42,894	52	17,760	3 19 3	4,421	11 0

(a) Excludes sixteen (1953-54), sixteen (1952-53), eleven (1951-52), nine (1950-51), and fourteen (1949-50) pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Homes. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942. Provision is made for payment of pensions subject to income and property qualifications, to the following classes of women:—"A" Class—a widow who has one or more children under 16 years of age—£3 15s. per week; "B" Class—a widow not less than 50 years of age and without children under 16 years of age—£2 17s. 6d. per week; "C" Class—a widow without children and in necessitous circumstances—£2 17s. 6d. per week for 26 weeks after husband's death, or for approximately 39 weeks in certain cases; and "D" Class—a woman whose husband has been in prison for over six months, maintaining children under 16 years of age or who is not less than 50 years of age—£2 17s. 6d. per week. Rates are as from 3rd November, 1953.

## COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Year.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Overseas.	Australia.
NUMBER OF CLAIMS PAID.								
1938-39 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,204	5,213	3,940	..	80,916
1949-50 ..	73,566	49,035	28,652	17,273	13,759	7,408	40	189,733
1950-51 ..	72,003	50,210	29,155	17,864	14,986	7,250	119	191,587
1951-52 ..	72,688	52,144	30,737	17,380	15,074	7,626	73	195,722
1952-53 ..	74,011	55,297	31,058	19,068	15,535	7,983	90	203,042
1953-54 ..	72,380	54,219	30,889	18,749	15,803	7,726	48	199,814
AMOUNT PAID. (£.)								
1938-39 ..	167,710	110,219	70,723	37,860	28,338	21,764	..	436,614
1949-50 ..	1,155,379	777,920	459,130	275,091	219,741	119,712	933	3,007,906
1950-51 ..	1,149,164	807,030	467,673	276,509	239,343	116,465	1,335	3,057,519
1951-52 ..	1,182,358	835,643	489,751	283,702	241,426	122,618	1,494	3,156,902
1952-53 ..	1,195,046	872,085	496,982	305,264	248,925	128,125	1,878	3,248,305
1953-54 ..	1,178,058	874,376	496,802	301,146	253,442	125,400	1,695	3,225,919

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912. From 1st July, 1947, the allowances payable have been as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years, £15; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years, £16; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years, £17 10s. Where more than one child is born at a birth the allowance is increased by 5s in respect of each additional child born at that birth. From 1st July, 1943, the means test was abolished.

## UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS PAID. (a)

(For particulars of persons on benefit see page 91.)

(£.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.									
1949-50 ..	1,064,693	6,666	141,446	33,089	18,163	2,010	..	..	1,266,072
1950-51 ..	25,324	7,731	22,485	350	5,360	1,194	..	..	62,444
1951-52 ..	55,135	11,215	114,226	1,025	4,374	1,036	..	..	187,011
1952-53 ..	2,686,297	923,732	662,090	132,042	123,732	41,845	..	..	4,569,747
1953-54 ..	1,247,216	507,676	581,865	50,213	75,904	42,589	..	..	2,505,463
Quarter ended—									
December, 1953	336,176	141,690	115,808	12,409	19,132	14,762	..	..	639,977
March, 1954	225,175	59,860	204,773	6,029	14,213	4,687	..	..	515,646
June, "	134,691	52,667	125,676	3,942	9,746	4,724	..	..	331,446
September, "	102,468	40,295	51,475	4,042	7,668	5,177	7	92	211,224
December, "	52,240	23,474	36,644	3,164	5,099	6,262	23	208	127,114
SICKNESS BENEFIT.									
1949-50 ..	307,315	217,782	111,840	83,826	58,23	36,928	..	..	816,014
1950-51 ..	296,418	197,719	96,540	70,770	53,911	30,358	..	..	745,716
1951-52 ..	262,244	181,117	123,075	70,482	43,691	24,278	..	..	709,887
1952-53 ..	543,432	370,354	208,889	133,783	84,682	49,154	..	..	1,393,294
1953-54 ..	697,949	405,414	257,633	153,042	106,836	54,719	..	..	1,675,598
Quarter ended—									
December, 1953	138,598	122,097	72,444	35,947	26,523	15,110	..	..	460,724
March, 1954	168,613	63,435	86,833	37,572	26,140	10,940	..	..	393,533
June, "	166,846	90,182	26,091	40,213	25,362	13,789	..	..	351,438
September, "	192,440	96,474	53,790	33,111	25,711	12,966	287	560	415,369
December, "	156,620	99,482	68,686	34,428	25,430	13,617	500	961	399,724

(a) In addition £424,338 (Australian total) was paid in Special Benefits during 1949-50; £220,053 during 1950-51; £110,759 during 1951-52; £292,431 during 1952-53; and £362,398 during 1953-54. Amounts paid to migrants are also included. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory to June, 1954. (c) Includes Northern Territory to June, 1954.

NOTE.—The Social Services Act 1947-1954 provides for the payment of benefit to persons whose normal earnings have been interrupted through unemployment or sickness. The rate of benefit per week is £2 10s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus £2 for dependent spouse and 5s. for a dependent child. For unmarried juveniles the rate of benefits is £1 10s. if under 18 years and £2 if 18 and under 21 years and 5s. for a dependent child. In certain cases £2 per week may be paid in respect of claimant's housekeeper. Rates operated from 2nd September, 1952. For unemployment benefit, a lowable income means income of claimant and spouse; for sickness benefit, allowable income means income of claimant only, but excludes amounts of up to £2 per week from an approved Friendly Society. The permiss weekly income varies from 5s. for persons over 16 years of age to 20s. for adults and married persons.

## AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS.

## (i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment and Year.	Number of War Pensions Current at 30th June.				Average Fortnightly Rate of Pensions.			Expenditure during Year.
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.	
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.
1953-54.								
New South Wales	67,366	109,757	16,900	194,023	4 5 0	1 11 11	2 10 4	12,578
Victoria ..	54,213	86,456	13,941	154,610	4 7 5	1 13 4	2 12 5	10,601
Queensland ..	24,184	43,018	5,177	72,379	4 9 10	1 8 10	2 9 2	4,591
South Australia(b)	18,775	36,315	3,953	59,043	4 7 3	1 8 7	2 7 3	3,584
Western Australia	17,878	31,579	3,895	53,352	3 17 3	1 7 10	2 4 5	3,087
Tasmania ..	7,976	15,290	1,669	24,935	5 6 8	1 11 2	2 15 4	1,820
United Kingdom	1,426	1,718	1,279	4,423	4 17 0	3 8 0	3 17 4	406
Elsewhere ..	385	381	135	901	4 1 10	2 9 5	3 3 4	130
Total ..	192,203	324,514	46,940	563,666	4 6 9	1 11 5	2 10 4	36,797
1952-53 ..	188,395	308,757	46,822	543,974	4 1 1	1 11 1	2 8 5	34,356
1951-52 ..	184,848	292,952	47,015	524,815	3 13 4	1 8 9	2 4 6	31,845
1950-51 ..	180,836	274,654	47,185	502,675	3 6 4	1 9 1	2 2 6	26,192
1949-50 ..	174,644	249,554	47,158	471,256	2 10 4	1 4 2	1 13 10	20,864
1938-39 ..	77,151	144,571	27,571	249,293	1 19 10	0 16 6	1 3 8	7,819

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

## (ii) Service Pensions.

State of Payment and Year.	Number of Service Pensions Current at 30th June.						Average Fort- nightly Rate of Pensions.	Expendi- ture during Year.
	Aged Members of Forces.	Permanently Unemployable.		Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuber- culosis.		Total.		
		Members of Forces.	Depend- ants.	Members of Forces.	Depend- ants.			
							£ s. d.	£'000.
1953-54.								
New South Wales(a)	3,863	1,603	1,610	164	236	7,476	5 4 9	978
Victoria ..	1,961	1,290	1,228	57	90	4,626	5 2 11	602
Queensland ..	1,666	935	852	38	45	3,536	5 8 5	467
South Australia(b)	773	590	565	24	44	1,996	5 2 8	259
Western Australia	1,159	661	593	31	24	2,468	5 2 0	303
Tasmania ..	226	215	244	7	12	704	4 16 1	86
Australia ..	9,648	5,294	5,092	321	451	20,806	5 4 2	2,695
1952-53 ..	8,703	4,971	4,780	291	432	19,177	4 16 6	2,225
1951-52 ..	7,587	4,561	4,270	269	389	17,076	4 6 9	1,778
1950-51 ..	7,456	4,492	3,911	279	374	16,512	3 13 11	1,507
1949-50 ..	7,448	4,608	3,598	299	385	16,338	3 7 6	1,432
1938-39 ..	3,397	3,393	4,667	619	1,032	13,108	1 5 10	407

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.



**GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.**  
(Number.)

State or Territory and Year.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
			Average Weekly Enrolment.	Average Daily Attendance.

**GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.**

1952.

New South Wales(a)	..	2,530	14,169	424,152	376,098
Victoria ..	..	2,013	9,842	264,869	238,798
Queensland ..	..	1,571	6,144	(b) 174,837	154,666
South Australia ..	..	682	3,756	100,379	91,815
Western Australia ..	..	500	2,726	76,874	71,654
Tasmania ..	..	315	1,717	45,422	41,824
Northern Territory(c)	..	9	53	1,457	1,216
Australia ..	..	7,620	38,407	1,087,990	976,071
1951 ..	..	7,648	36,740	1,012,874	899,514
1950 ..	..	7,790	36,085	958,112	844,123
1949 ..	..	7,874	34,090	917,256	810,800
1948 ..	..	7,971	33,287	869,861	770,554
1939 ..	..	9,940	31,199	859,663	744,095

**NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.(d)**

1952.

New South Wales(a)	..	750	6,014	138,306	124,450
Victoria ..	..	478	3,353	103,297	(e) 93,587
Queensland ..	..	274	1,957	49,491	45,588
South Australia ..	..	146	1,020	22,393	20,334
Western Australia ..	..	217	940	24,364	22,792
Tasmania ..	..	59	418	9,594	8,710
Northern Territory(c)	..	2	12	386	335
Australia ..	..	1,926	13,714	347,831	315,796
1951 ..	..	1,890	13,251	326,258	293,429
1950 ..	..	1,870	12,909	309,673	275,562
1949 ..	..	1,843	12,526	293,306	264,164
1948 ..	..	1,835	12,408	281,354	251,092
1939 ..	..	1,863	11,496	250,860	219,171

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Enrolments at 1st August, 1952.

(c) Year ended

30th June, 1953. (d) Includes all schools not wholly under Government control.

(e) Estimated.

## UNIVERSITIES.

University or College and Year.	Teaching Staff.		Students Enrolled.	Degrees Conferred.	Total Income. (a)	Total Expenditure. (a)
	Full-time.	Part-time.				
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£
1953.						
Sydney .. .. .	458	406	6,918	1,664	1,703,142	1,660,405
Melbourne .. ..	393	200	7,028	1,063	1,587,510	1,552,132
Queensland (Brisbane) ..	239	206	3,735	417	847,915	830,629
Adelaide .. .. .	160	106	4,110	364	738,869	724,735
Western Australia (Perth)	115	37	1,732	253	565,314	548,930
Tasmania (Hobart) ..	72	14	664	101	249,277	242,383
N.S.W. University of Technology (Sydney) ..	243	333	4,044	64	1,237,906	1,237,906
New England University College (Armidale, N.S.W.)	46	19	242	..	181,262	180,854
Canberra University College	24	20	319	..	84,737	89,742
Australia .. .. .	1,750	1,341	28,792	3,926	7,195,932	7,067,716
1952 .. .. .	1,680	1,318	29,641	4,304	7,101,330	6,865,346
1951 .. .. .	1,549	1,533	31,671	4,498	5,720,060	5,352,421
1950 .. .. .	1,298	1,090	30,630	4,506	3,756,978	3,746,602
1949 .. .. .	1,210	1,182	31,753	3,607	3,134,794	3,298,102
1939 .. .. .	609	675	14,236	1,802	989,791	974,394

(a) Since 1952 the finances relate to income and expenditure (including capital items). Prior to 1952 the figures were as presented by each university on a receipts (or income) and payments (or expenditure) basis (excluding capital items) and are not suitable for the construction of a profit and loss statement or revenue account, or for ascertaining the surplus or deficit for the year. In several cases Government subsidies relating to expenditure made in earlier years have been included in revenue.

NOTE.—In addition, the Australian National University, Canberra, A.C.T. (a Post-Graduate Research University), had in 1953 a teaching staff of 100, with 46 Post-graduate scholars. In 1953 the income was £1,640,439 and the expenditure was £1,530,599 (see Note (a)).

## POLICE AND PRISONS.

(Number.)

State or Territory and Year.	Police.	Prisons.	Prisoners at end of Period.
1952.			
New South Wales .. ..	4,688	(a) 15	(a) 2,135
Victoria .. .. .	2,992	9	1,248
Queensland(a) .. .. .	2,449	7	538
South Australia .. ..	(a) 1,091	16	437
Western Australia(a) ..	929	19	374
Tasmania(a) .. .. .	418	2	154
Northern Territory(a) ..	50	2	44
Australian Capital Territory	60	..	..
Australia .. .. .	12,377	70	4,930
1951 .. .. .	12,318	69	4,444
1950 .. .. .	11,677	71	4,089
1949 .. .. .	11,238	71	3,982
1948 .. .. .	10,850	72	3,680
1939 .. .. .	9,566	74	3,336

(a) Year ended 30th June, 1953.

## PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds. (a)	Staff.		In-patients Treated. (b)	Revenue. (c)	Expenditure. (c)
			Medi-cal.	Nurs-ing.			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.
1952-53.							
New South Wales	261	19,105	3,768	10,061	394,509	19,168	18,159
Victoria ..	110	10,894	1,706	6,088	187,930	12,905	13,413
Queensland ..	140	9,852	684	4,721	181,189	7,523	9,044
South Australia ..	62	3,527	518	1,913	61,681	3,721	3,679
Western Australia	96	4,220	313	2,082	70,646	4,270	4,140
Tasmania ..	22	1,940	216	890	31,688	1,499	1,470
Nor. Territory ..	4	313	13	95	4,910	32	376
Aust. Cap. Terr...	1	225	28	90	4,303	260	260
Total ..	696	50,076	7,246	25,940	939,856	49,378	50,541
1951-52	675	47,328	6,889	24,556	896,020	39,989	43,328
1950-51	664	46,417	6,424	23,055	867,721	31,440	32,582
1949-50	648	45,559	5,917	22,235	823,395	24,944	26,205
1948-49	624	44,515	5,471	21,245	730,009	19,465	20,661
1938-39	563	35,711	4,059	13,582	552,051	6,342	6,351

(a) Includes particulars, where available, of a considerable number of beds and cots for certain classes of cases in outdoor or verandah sleeping places. (b) Newborn are excluded. Out-patient cases treated at public hospitals during 1952-53 were as follows:—New South Wales, 1,084,875; Victoria, 481,981; Queensland, 736,786; South Australia, 112,339; Western Australia, 109,114 (estimated); Tasmania, 84,094; Northern Territory, 45,765; and Australian Capital Territory, 8,188; Australia, 2,643,042. (c) Excludes Loan Receipts and Expenditure for New South Wales.

## MENTAL HOSPITALS.

State and Year.	Hospitals.	Beds.	Staff.		Patients at end of Year.	Revenue.	Expenditure.
			Medi-cal.	Nurs-ing.			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.
1952-53.							
New South Wales	13	12,471	(a) 66	1,923	12,979	509	3,951
Victoria (b) ..	9	6,716	53	1,571	7,707	(c) 167	(c) 3,638
Queensland (d) ..	4	4,558	11	710	4,554	16	1,365
South Australia ..	2	2,536	10	388	2,534	102	882
Western Australia (b)	4	1,495	6	270	1,666	(c) 54	(c) 596
Tasmania ..	1	770	3	190	750	18	282
Australia ..	33	28,546	149	5,132	30,190	866	10,714
1951-52	33	27,537	167	4,985	29,563	861	8,749
1950-51	33	27,512	138	4,826	28,932	812	6,450
1949-50	33	27,397	128	4,694	27,922	725	5,391
1948-49	33	27,272	116	4,487	27,423	594	4,485
1938-39	35	25,654	92	4,922	26,509	263	1,904

(a) In addition there were 41 visiting paid specialists. (b) Year 1952. (c) Year 1952-53. (d) Includes the Epileptic Home.

## Section VIII.—Private Finance.

## CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

Average Liabilities within Australia.(a)  
(£'000.)

Period.	Inter- minable Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Circu- lation.	Balances due to other Banks. (b)	Bills Payable and all other Li- abilities.	Total Li- abilities.
		Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.				

COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(c)

1950-51	..	..	89,234	19,405	108,639	..	3,014	7,950	119,603
1951-52	..	..	90,595	20,093	110,688	..	2,644	8,524	121,856
1952-53	..	..	96,664	22,817	119,481	..	3,820	8,569	131,870
1953-54	..	..	120,885	35,352	156,237	..	2,034	11,766	170,037
Quarter ended—									
December, 1953	..	..	122,719	36,112	158,831	..	3,051	8,368	170,250
March, 1954	..	..	121,981	37,291	159,272	..	418	15,470	175,160
June, "	..	..	127,291	37,994	165,285	..	323	15,479	181,087
September, "	..	..	125,315	41,011	166,326	..	282	15,042	181,650
December, "	..	..	131,285	44,135	175,420	..	330	16,133	191,883
Month of—									
October, 1954	..	..	128,118	44,551	172,669	..	289	15,788	188,746
November, "	..	..	132,112	44,059	176,171	..	350	15,997	192,518
December, "	..	..	133,625	43,797	177,422	..	349	16,613	194,384

## PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.

1950-51	..	..	729	896,499	247,727	1,144,226	158	50,259	18,240	1,213,612
1951-52	..	..	729	963,524	238,217	1,201,741	158	61,527	14,970	1,279,125
1952-53	..	..	226	943,747	218,699	1,162,446	158	10,628	14,247	1,187,705
1953-54	..	..	14	1,035,707	239,774	1,275,481	158	3,360	14,980	1,293,903
Quarter ended—										
December, 1953	..	..	15	1,009,540	240,804	1,250,344	158	3,811	16,029	1,270,357
March, 1954	..	..	13	1,091,973	244,836	1,336,809	158	3,170	15,574	1,355,724
June, "	..	..	12	1,077,676	248,341	1,326,017	158	3,176	15,406	1,344,769
September, "	..	..	11	1,006,671	256,025	1,262,696	158	2,756	14,877	1,280,498
December, "	..	..	8	1,037,780	263,171	1,300,951	158	3,193	16,935	1,321,245
Month of—										
October, 1954	..	..	8	1,021,635	264,271	1,285,906	158	3,344	16,627	1,306,043
November, "	..	..	8	1,035,184	264,100	1,299,284	158	2,987	15,522	1,317,959
December, "	..	..	8	1,056,521	261,141	1,317,662	158	3,249	16,656	1,339,733

## OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1950-51	..	..	20,056	31,947	1,421	44,368	..	194	1,594	66,212
1951-52	..	..	19,336	37,445	13,369	50,814	..	504	1,478	72,132
1952-53	..	..	19,286	35,848	15,302	51,150	..	622	525	71,583
1953-54	..	..	19,734	39,408	15,309	54,717	..	664	454	75,569
Quarter ended—										
December, 1953	..	..	19,519	35,672	14,750	50,422	..	1,468	473	71,882
March, 1954	..	..	19,618	42,754	15,680	58,434	..	428	463	78,943
June, "	..	..	20,240	43,619	15,962	59,581	..	438	494	80,753
September, "	..	..	20,444	41,570	15,829	57,399	..	431	382	78,656
December, "	..	..	20,471	40,169	16,033	56,202	..	555	596	77,824
Month of—										
October, 1954	..	..	20,437	40,599	15,745	56,344	..	410	676	77,807
November, "	..	..	20,583	40,120	16,209	56,329	..	465	445	77,822
December, "	..	..	20,393	39,787	16,145	55,932	..	790	667	77,782

## ALL-CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1950-51	..	..	20,785	1,017,680	279,553	1,297,233	158	53,467	27,784	1,399,427
1951-52	..	..	20,065	1,091,564	271,679	1,363,243	158	64,675	24,972	1,473,113
1952-53	..	..	19,512	1,076,259	256,818	1,333,077	158	15,070	23,341	1,391,158
1953-54	..	..	19,748	1,196,000	290,435	1,486,435	158	6,058	27,200	1,539,599
Quarter ended—										
December, 1953	..	..	19,534	1,167,931	291,666	1,459,597	158	8,330	24,870	1,512,489
March, 1954	..	..	19,632	1,256,708	297,806	1,554,514	158	4,016	31,507	1,609,827
June, "	..	..	20,252	1,248,586	302,297	1,550,883	158	3,937	31,379	1,606,609
September, "	..	..	20,455	1,173,556	312,865	1,486,421	158	3,469	30,301	1,540,804
December, "	..	..	20,479	1,209,234	323,339	1,532,573	158	4,078	33,664	1,590,952
Month of—										
October, 1954	..	..	20,445	1,190,352	324,567	1,514,919	158	4,043	33,091	1,572,656
November, "	..	..	20,591	1,207,416	324,368	1,531,784	158	3,802	31,964	1,568,299
December, "	..	..	20,401	1,229,933	321,083	1,551,016	158	4,388	35,936	1,611,899

(a) Averages of liabilities at close of business on weekly balance days in periods. (b) Includes short term loans from Central Bank. (c) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.



**Cheque-paying Banks—continued.**  
**Average Assets within Australia.(a)**  
 (£'000.)

Period.	Cash and Cash Balances.(b)	Special Account with C'wealth Bank.	Balances with other Banks. (c)	Australian Public Securities.		Other Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.(b)	All other Assets.	Total Assets
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(d)									
1950-51 .. ..	7,176	..	820	24,099	26,868	..	62,491	2,348	123,752
1951-52 .. ..	6,581	..	994	26,392	13,27	2	76,407	3,230	126,880
1952-53 .. ..	8,784	21,731	1,600	17,239	25,840	92	59,492	3,984	138,762
1953-54 .. ..	11,000	34,800	787	23,404	29,924	1,284	69,204	4,60	174,763
Quarter ended—									
December, 1953 ..	11,114	32,250	776	26,634	32,136	1,253	68,400	4,290	176,853
March, 1954 .. ..	10,235	35,435	789	19,484	35,078	1,278	71,729	4,540	178,568
June, .. ..	11,767	39,265	931	15,131	35,078	1,383	73,964	4,764	182,283
September, .. ..	9,914	38,496	749	10,327	35,826	1,543	83,096	5,024	184,975
December, .. ..	10,299	36,291	925	14,166	39,409	1,604	86,033	5,580	194,307
Month of—									
October, 1954 ..	10,417	37,250	806	11,875	39,889	1,555	84,234	5,149	191,175
November, .. ..	9,848	36,675	797	14,325	40,127	1,614	86,458	5,368	195,212
December, .. ..	10,629	34,950	1,173	16,300	38,210	1,642	87,407	6,223	196,534

**PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.**

1950-51 .. ..	59,333	500,317	23,761	36,887	90,244	1,126	479,322	18,988	1,209,978
1951-52 .. ..	60,589	465,991	29,140	32,402	68,416	1,124	621,435	33,151	1,312,248
1952-53 .. ..	74,712	211,737	22,580	123,059	86,513	2,313	638,092	29,693	1,188,699
1953-54 .. ..	71,244	285,226	17,346	99,368	130,306	3,588	658,534	36,549	1,302,161
<b>Quarter ended—</b>									
December, 1953 ..	71,773	250,520	16,618	100,750	126,945	3,101	661,233	35,87	1,266,327
March, 1954 .. ..	75,723	287,345	17,464	136,462	138,707	3,894	658,610	38,610	1,356,815
June, .. ..	68,726	321,076	19,464	71,088	136,843	5,146	694,544	40,881	1,357,768
September, .. ..	65,329	295,384	16,387	29,112	120,163	4,912	741,563	44,912	1,317,762
December, .. ..	67,466	267,012	19,334	41,167	115,034	2,935	783,977	46,845	1,343,770
<b>Month of—</b>									
October, 1954 ..	65,021	272,303	17,730	35,375	116,050	3,477	780,051	46,627	1,336,634
November, .. ..	67,713	269,128	17,623	41,063	114,767	2,724	786,175	46,176	1,345,374
December, .. ..	69,666	259,603	22,643	47,063	114,283	2,605	785,706	47,734	1,349,303

**OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.**

1950-51 .. ..	4,852	3,271	1,760	3,087	12,375	185	56,604	4,613	86,747
1951-52 .. ..	5,104	2,612	1,800	2,925	14,880	111	61,816	5,123	94,671
1952-53 .. ..	4,640	1,153	2,176	3,911	13,874	149	64,731	3,79	94,426
1953-54 .. ..	5,091	1,090	2,409	7,326	13,977	432	65,982	3,815	100,122
<b>Quarter ended—</b>									
December, 1953 ..	4,611	1,072	2,631	3,933	14,007	247	66,907	3,522	96,930
March, 1954 .. ..	5,693	1,092	2,326	10,314	14,131	344	66,040	3,895	103,835
June, .. ..	4,889	1,117	2,187	10,756	14,206	902	66,883	4,500	105,440
September, .. ..	4,773	1,117	2,220	6,392	14,333	1,058	69,387	5,002	104,282
December, .. ..	4,680	1,117	2,480	4,388	14,343	698	72,173	4,349	104,228
<b>Month of—</b>									
October, 1954 ..	4,622	1,117	2,578	4,650	14,409	1,031	71,486	4,482	104,375
November, .. ..	4,912	1,117	2,236	4,600	14,458	531	71,820	4,372	104,046
December, .. ..	4,506	1,117	2,625	3,912	14,166	531	73,213	4,192	104,262

**ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.**

1950-51 .. ..	71,361	503,588	26,341	64,023	129,487	1,311	598,417	25,949	1,420,477
1951-52 .. ..	72,274	468,603	31,934	61,719	96,570	1,237	759,658	41,804	1,533,799
1952-53 .. ..	88,136	234,621	26,356	144,209	126,227	2,554	762,315	37,69	1,421,887
1953-54 .. ..	87,335	321,116	20,542	130,068	174,207	5,304	793,720	43,124	1,577,046
<b>Quarter ended—</b>									
December, 1953 ..	87,498	283,842	20,025	131,317	173,088	4,601	796,540	44,729	1,540,110
March, 1954 .. ..	91,651	323,872	20,579	166,260	187,916	5,516	796,379	47,045	1,639,218
June, .. ..	85,382	361,458	22,582	96,675	186,127	7,431	835,391	50,145	1,645,491
September, .. ..	80,016	334,997	19,356	45,831	170,322	7,513	894,046	54,938	1,607,019
December, .. ..	82,445	304,420	22,739	59,721	163,786	5,237	942,183	56,774	1,642,305
<b>Month of—</b>									
October, 1954 ..	80,060	310,670	21,114	51,900	170,348	6,063	935,771	56,258	1,632,184
November, .. ..	82,473	306,920	20,661	59,988	169,352	4,869	944,453	55,916	1,644,632
December, .. ..	84,801	295,670	26,441	67,275	166,659	4,778	946,326	58,149	1,650,099

(a) Averages of assets at close of business on weekly balance days in periods. (b) Coin, bullion, Australian notes and cash with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes notes, cheques and bills of other banks. (d) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953. (e) Includes Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia account with State Treasury and State Bank of South Australia deposit with State Treasury.

## COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments—Average Weekly Assets.  
(£'000.)

Period.	Advances.					Treasury Bills.	Government and Municipal Securities.
	Rural Credits Department.	Mortgage Bank Department.	Industrial Finance Department.		Total.		
			Hire Purchase.	Other.			
1950-51 .. ..	13,715	3,840	14,664	7,535	39,754	76	227
1951-52 .. ..	19,653	4,153	15,480	8,666	47,952	63	463
1952-53 .. ..	44,863	4,267	14,847	8,145	72,122	469	946
1953-54 .. ..	43,183	4,528	16,631	4,749	69,091	628	1,745
Quarter ended—							
December, 1953 ..	18,388	4,484	16,856	4,343	44,071	650	1,731
March, 1954 ..	49,680	4,625	16,648	4,676	75,629	615	1,883
June, ..	64,426	4,646	16,696	5,066	90,834	700	2,112
September, ..	56,915	4,686	16,896	6,134	84,631	885	1,859
December, ..	45,102	4,761	17,308	6,344	73,515	825	1,926
Monthly—							
October, 1954 ..	48,256	4,730	17,167	6,311	76,464	900	1,926
November, ..	45,608	4,770	17,299	6,384	74,061	800	1,926
December, ..	41,442	4,782	17,459	6,337	70,020	775	1,927

## COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Central Banking Business (Including Note Issue Department).

(Averages of weekly figures.)

(£A'000.)

Period.			Notes on Issue.			Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Li- abilities (excluding Capital and Reserve Funds).	Gold and Balances Held Abroad.	Govern- ment and Other Secur- ities (includ- ing Treas- ury Bills).
			Held by—		Total.					
			Banks.	Public.						
1950-51	..	..	32,725	219,045	251,770	503,248	34,696	238,230	596,276	366,570
1951-52	..	..	38,087	255,552	293,639	468,800	31,112	270,937	470,644	503,039
1952-53	..	..	36,860	281,332	318,192	212,890	45,447	287,361	363,576	434,771
1953-54	..	..	38,539	299,684	338,223	306,820	41,731	283,397	512,615	407,979
Quarter ended—										
December,	1953	..	39,408	298,726	338,134	259,654	38,626	299,360	496,098	415,051
March,	1954	..	39,729	299,423	339,152	323,872	45,809	261,514	530,668	385,948
June,	..	..	39,213	305,801	345,014	361,459	41,534	261,724	532,358	406,769
September,	..	..	38,678	309,206	347,884	334,997	37,198	250,973	455,946	456,168
December,	..	..	41,975	318,102	360,077	304,420	36,938	245,132	423,025	471,385
Monthly—										
October,	1954	..	39,430	312,397	351,827	310,670	36,155	250,140	426,421	470,889
November,	..	..	39,398	313,679	353,077	306,920	38,392	249,542	424,935	472,193
December,	..	..	46,073	326,204	372,277	295,670	36,268	235,716	417,718	471,072

## COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.

(£'000.)

Denomination.	25th Dec., 1939.	26th Dec., 1951.	31st Dec., 1952.	30th Dec., 1953.	27th Oct., 1954.	24th Nov., 1954.	29th Dec., 1954.
10s. .. ..	4,806	10,122	10,340	10,571	10,047	10,128	10,912
£1 .. ..	25,805	76,172	73,269	73,780	69,337	69,568	75,806
£5 .. ..	15,254	150,885	165,293	182,781	173,695	174,303	194,831
£10 .. ..	6,613	86,787	92,856	95,916	98,074	98,587	109,382
£20 .. ..	96	7	6	6	6	6	6
£50 .. ..	1,563	59	54	52	50	50	50
£100 .. ..	2,615	63	60	58	55	55	55
£1,000 .. ..	523	376	540	449	1,063	1,130	695
Held by Banks ..	13,009	45,661	42,713	46,995	39,667	39,499	52,223
"    "    Public	44,266	278,810	299,705	316,618	312,660	314,328	339,604
Total .. ..	57,275	324,471	342,418	363,613	352,327	353,827	391,827

## SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS.

(£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
ALL SAVINGS BANKS.(a)									
June—1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1951 ..	284,467	281,779	98,840	97,849	44,672	27,155	965	1,717	837,444
1952 ..	304,532	300,832	102,661	103,726	47,171	30,119	1,036	1,821	891,898
1953 ..	319,149	319,971	109,360	113,875	49,794	32,078	1,116	2,154	947,497
1954 ..	339,796	339,781	117,406	122,949	52,614	33,947	1,308	2,328	1,010,129
Dec., 1953	327,659	327,054	114,001	117,294	51,374	32,851	1,249	2,258	973,740
Mar., 1954	331,335	328,988	114,288	119,085	51,091	33,304	1,227	2,312	981,640
June, "	339,796	339,781	117,406	122,949	52,614	33,947	1,308	2,328	1,010,129
Sept., "	344,311	346,584	121,447	125,483	53,065	34,869	1,325	2,468	1,029,552
Oct., 1954	346,699	348,439	122,227	126,351	53,254	34,759	1,360	2,485	1,035,574
Nov., "	347,176	349,954	122,935	126,535	53,272	34,724	1,374	2,516	1,038,486
Dec., "	347,839	350,923	123,426	126,513	52,875	34,722	1,360	2,471	1,040,129

## COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

June—1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,396	2,358	99	319	146,100
1951 ..	284,467	68,092	98,840	20,203	44,672	10,497	965	1,717	529,453
1952 ..	304,532	76,485	102,661	22,502	47,171	11,406	1,036	1,821	567,614
1953 ..	319,149	85,137	109,360	25,483	49,794	12,170	1,116	2,154	604,363
1954 ..	339,796	94,174	117,406	28,192	52,614	12,869	1,308	2,328	648,687
Dec., 1953	327,659	88,842	114,001	26,720	51,374	12,320	1,249	2,258	624,423
Mar., 1954	331,335	90,270	114,288	27,177	51,091	12,392	1,227	2,312	630,092
June, "	339,796	94,174	117,406	28,192	52,614	12,869	1,308	2,328	648,687
Sept., "	344,311	97,209	121,447	29,042	53,065	13,178	1,325	2,468	662,045
Oct., 1954	346,699	97,970	122,227	29,332	53,254	13,159	1,360	2,485	666,486
Nov., "	347,176	98,689	122,935	29,327	53,272	13,193	1,374	2,516	668,482
Dec., "	347,839	99,134	123,426	29,382	52,875	13,270	1,360	2,471	669,757

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

NOTE.—Sales of War Savings and Savings Certificates were discontinued after 31st January, 1949, except for sales to wind up savings groups, &c. The net amount outstanding at the end of December, 1954, was £28,313,484.

## ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE WEEKLY DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS.

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at Capital City Branches.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total
1950-51 ..	145,110	134,925	39,011	26,844	19,250	7,370	373	372,883
1951-52 ..	156,602	142,358	41,516	30,792	21,810	8,872	471	402,421
1952-53 ..	151,933	131,998	43,796	30,063	22,091	8,850	580	389,316
1953-54 ..	171,709	154,885	51,032	32,802	25,339	9,933	775	446,480
Quarter ended—								
December, 1953 ..	174,963	155,601	53,250	32,722	26,832	9,612	750	455,730
March, 1954 ..	168,453	162,570	46,701	33,324	26,162	9,882	753	447,845
June, " ..	182,395	171,397	54,252	35,477	26,265	11,048	834	481,668
September, " ..	177,333	162,532	53,251	33,885	25,321	10,049	684	463,255
December, " ..	190,536	178,111	55,567	36,473	26,520	10,387	786	498,380
Month of—								
October, 1954 ..	190,283	177,963	56,354	35,485	26,770	10,057	716	497,628
November, " ..	185,315	170,440	54,763	36,159	25,581	9,948	708	483,414
December, " ..	194,516	184,366	55,579	37,514	27,072	11,002	904	510,953

## BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, 31st DECEMBER, 1954.

Particulars.	Rate per Annum.	Date from which Operated.	Previous Rate per Annum.
	Per cent.		Per cent.
Commonwealth Bank of Australia—			
Rural Credits Department—Government Guaranteed Loans ..	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	1.8.52	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
—Other ..	4	1.8.52	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mortgage Bank Department Loans—			
5 to 20 years ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	4
over 20 years ..	4 $\frac{3}{8}$	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{8}$
Industrial Finance Department—Term Loans ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Commonwealth Savings Bank—			
Loans to Local Government Authorities ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 4 $\frac{7}{8}$	23.10.52	4 $\frac{11}{16}$ to 4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Crédit Foncier Housing Loans ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	3 $\frac{7}{8}$
Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia(a)—			
Overdraft—General ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Local Government Authorities ..	4 $\frac{3}{8}$	1.8.52	4
Other Trading Banks—Overdraft (Maximum Rate)	5	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Life Assurance Companies—Loans on own policies	5 to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.4.54	5
Commonwealth Loans—Long Term ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	25.11.52	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Treasury Bills (Discount Rates) ..	1	1.8.52	$\frac{3}{4}$
Fixed Deposits with Trading Banks—			
3 months ..	1	29.7.52	$\frac{1}{4}$
6 months ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	29.7.52	$\frac{3}{4}$
12 months ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	29.7.52	1
24 months—			
First £10,000 ..	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	29.7.52	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Amounts in excess of £10,000 ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	29.7.52	1
Savings Banks—Deposits other than Fixed Deposits—			
On first £500—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	2
State Savings Bank of Victoria ..	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	2
Trustee Savings Banks, Hobart and Launceston (on amounts up to £450) ..	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.9.52	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Savings Bank of South Australia ..	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
On amounts in excess of £500, but not exceeding £1,500(b)—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	1
State Savings Bank of Victoria ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	1
Savings Bank of South Australia ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	1 $\frac{1}{4}$

(a) Rates quoted prior to 3rd December, 1953, are for the General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) No interest is payable on amounts in excess of £1,500 except on deposits in Friendly and other Society Accounts. This limit was raised from £1,000 to £1,500 from 1st June, 1954. The current rates for these accounts on amounts in excess of £500 at 30th June, 1954 were £501–£2,000, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ %; £2,001 and over, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ %.



# BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, AND SECURITY YIELDS.

(Per Cent.)

Period.	Trading Banks—						C'wealth. Saving Bank Deposits (Maximum Rate of Interest).	Treasury Bills (Discount Rates).	C'wealth. Govt. Securities.		Private First Mortgages Registered in New South Wales —Urban Securities. (c)
	Fixed Deposits.				Overdrafts.				Short-dated 2 Years. (b)	Long-dated 12 Years. (b)	
	3 Months.	6 Months.	12 Months.	24 Months.	C'wealth. Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.					
1938-39 ..	2.00	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.25	(d)	2.00	1.75	(e)3.67	(e)3.84	5.5
1949-50 ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(f)1.50	(g)4.25	4.50	2.00	0.75	1.95	3.13	4.4
1950-51 ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	0.75	1.99	3.21	4.4
1951-52 ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	0.75	2.05	3.95	4.4
1952-53 ..	0.96	1.21	1.46	1.73	4.71	4.96	2.23	0.98	3.03	4.54	4.7
1953-54 ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.10	4.44	4.9
Month of—											
Dec., 1953	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	2.98	4.43	4.9
Mar., 1954	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.17	4.47	4.9
June, „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.42	4.40	5.0
Sept., „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.56	4.48	5.1
Oct., 1954	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.43	4.49	5.2
Nov., „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.39	4.50	5.2
Dec., „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.45	4.51	5.3

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) Rate for securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5, and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (c) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown. (d) Rates for Private Trading Banks not published, but predominant rates were 5.25 per cent. to 5.50 per cent. (e) Weighted averages for loans maturing in (i) under 5 years, and (ii) over 10 years, for last Wednesday in month. Calculated when loans above par or earliest date of maturity. (f) From December, 1945, to July, 1952, 1.50 per cent. on first £10,000 of deposit; 1.00 per cent. on amounts in excess, and from 1st August, 1952, 1.75 per cent. on first £10,000 deposit; 1.50 per cent. on amounts in excess. (g) Since July, 1940, rate for Municipal and Semi-Governmental Authorities, 0.25 per cent lower.

## OVERSEA EXCHANGE RATES: AVERAGE TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFER SELLING RATES—SYDNEY ON OVERSEA COUNTRIES.

Country.	Basis of Quotation.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Dec., 1953.	Dec., 1954.
United Kingdom ..	£A. to £100 Eng.	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50
South Africa ..	£A. to £100 S.A.	125.55	125.70	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79
New Zealand ..	£A. to £100 N.Z.	100.59	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54
Fiji ..	£A. to £100 F.	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00
United States of America	Dollars to £A.1	3.76	2.22	2.23	2.24	2.24	2.22
Canada ..	Dollars to £A.1	3.78	2.27	2.16	2.19	2.18	2.15
Belgium ..	Francs to £A.1	110.94	110.57	110.72	110.83	110.77	110.36
Denmark ..	Kroner to £A.1	17.78	15.29	15.30	15.34	15.34	15.35
France ..	Francs to £A.1	141.21	776.08	781.16	777.96	777.62	777.08
Holland ..	Florins to £A.1	6.94	8.40	8.40	8.34	8.42	8.40
Philippines ..	Pesos to £A.1	7.53	4.43	4.42	4.46	4.46	4.46
Norway ..	Kroner to £A.1	15.80	15.82	15.82	15.83	15.83	15.85
Noumea ..	Francs to £A.1	(a)	140.84	138.94	138.65	138.61	138.61
Sweden ..	Kronor to £A.1	15.41	11.47	11.51	11.49	11.48	11.52
Switzerland ..	Francs to £A.1	16.59	9.70	9.68	9.69	9.71	9.70
Hong Kong ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar	18.88	18.79	18.83	18.83	18.84	18.84
India ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	22.60	22.77	22.77	22.76	22.77	22.73
Pakistan ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	(b)	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.69
Ceylon ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	(c)	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.77
Singapore ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar	35.22	35.53	35.40	35.30	35.31	35.44

(a) Not available. (b) Pakistan created separate Dominion from 15th August, 1947. Previously part of India. (c) Ceylon created separate Dominion from 4th February, 1946. Quotations previously same as India.

## LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA.

EXCLUDES BUSINESS OF THE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THE QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE.

## New Policies Issued and Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(a)

Period.	New Policies Issued.					Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(b)				
	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.
	No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.		No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.	
1939.. ..	135,511	£'000. 46,635	385,498	£'000. 18,542	£'000. 65,177	76,917	£'000. 24,094	262,096	£'000. 12,132	£'000. 36,226
1950-51 .. ..	259,705	182,475	272,561	29,072	211,547	108,733	51,827	221,826	15,779	67,606
1951-52 .. ..	283,280	221,572	278,594	33,804	255,376	110,274	59,272	229,652	16,641	75,913
1952-53 .. ..	283,718	225,944	274,232	35,347	261,291	117,886	67,157	250,106	19,081	86,238
1953-54 .. ..	284,544	254,129	239,692	32,575	286,704	143,925	81,319	262,723	20,597	101,916
Quarter ended—										
December, 1953 ..	75,910	73,586	55,761	7,550	81,136	43,172	21,792	69,200	5,295	27,087
March, 1954 .. ..	51,567	43,095	49,300	6,694	49,789	32,311	18,831	64,563	5,478	24,309
June, " .. ..	72,194	66,106	62,518	8,629	74,735	36,071	21,545	62,979	4,959	26,504
September, " ..	83,310	81,445	69,555	10,052	91,497	39,690	23,640	68,421	5,174	28,814
December, " ..	76,874	80,502	53,131	8,020	88,522	38,240	22,812	74,276	6,096	28,908
Month of—										
July, 1954 .. ..	27,010	26,383	18,704	2,627	29,010	12,488	7,474	22,624	1,693	9,167
August, " .. ..	25,513	23,916	21,284	3,113	27,029	12,806	7,859	24,723	1,900	9,759
September, " ..	30,787	31,146	29,567	4,312	35,458	14,404	8,307	21,074	1,581	9,888
October, " .. ..	22,427	20,953	17,126	2,485	23,438	12,057	7,584	24,216	2,017	9,631
November, " ..	22,973	22,321	19,599	2,874	25,195	11,776	7,427	23,706	1,948	9,375
December, " ..	31,474	37,228	16,406	2,661	39,889	14,407	7,801	26,354	2,101	9,902

(a) Excludes annuity policies. (b) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.

Premiums Received, Amounts Paid on Claims, Surrenders, &c., and New Loans Granted.  
(£'000.)

Period.	Premiums.(a)			Claims, &c., Paid.(b)			New Loans Granted.(c)
	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	
1939 .. ..	13,732	6,490	20,222	10,024	3,632	13,656	(d)
1950-51 .. ..	38,517	12,523	51,040	15,715	5,896	21,611	46,714
1951-52 .. ..	43,817	13,224	57,041	17,287	6,558	23,845	47,555
1952-53 .. ..	50,237	13,761	63,998	18,911	7,426	26,337	36,136
1953-54 .. ..	56,162	14,076	70,238	21,158	8,058	29,216	34,463
Quarter ended—							
December, 1953 ..	13,946	3,767	17,713	5,323	1,987	7,310	8,102
March, 1954 .. ..	12,509	3,196	15,705	4,832	1,847	6,679	7,432
June, " .. ..	15,688	3,500	19,188	5,410	2,113	7,523	9,664
September, " ..	15,405	3,707	19,112	6,273	2,308	8,581	10,563
December, " ..	15,092	4,014	19,106	6,112	2,177	8,289	13,395
Month of—							
July, 1954 .. ..	5,166	1,189	6,355	2,111	805	2,916	3,624
August, " .. ..	5,102	1,191	6,293	2,042	779	2,821	3,312
September, " ..	5,137	1,327	6,464	2,120	724	2,844	3,627
October, " .. ..	4,617	1,210	5,827	1,969	744	2,713	4,440
November, " ..	4,883	1,315	6,198	1,823	795	2,618	4,149
December, " ..	5,592	1,489	7,081	2,320	638	2,958	4,806

(a) Includes consideration for annuities. (b) Includes claims paid on maturity, amounts paid on surrender of policy, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (c) Excludes advances of premiums. (d) Not available.

**Section IX.—Transport and Communication.**  
**OVERSEA SHIPPING—ENTRANCES AND CLEARANCES.**  
**AUSTRALIA.**

Year.	Entrances.				Clearances.			
	With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.		With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.	
	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.
1938-39 ..	1,372	5,964	1,876	6,711	1,490	5,990	1,938	6,835
1949-50 ..	1,726	7,972	1,942	8,716	1,480	6,209	1,965	8,662
1950-51 ..	1,769	8,200	1,911	8,601	1,430	6,169	1,992	8,707
1951-52 ..	1,880	8,580	2,038	8,973	1,423	6,118	2,098	9,252
1952-53 ..	1,546	7,312	1,988	8,704	1,582	6,522	2,053	8,867
1953-54 ..	1,647	7,736	2,054	8,882	1,507	6,179	2,074	8,854
Six months ended—								
December, 1953	788	3,753	995	4,338	792	3,290	1,078	4,528
December, 1954	943	4,296	1,086	4,696	733	3,048	1,102	4,848

**OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped.**  
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NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons measurement on the basis of 1 ton measurement = 40 cubic feet. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns but are additional.

State or Territory, and Year.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 1953.								
New South Wales ..	1,933	205	1,246	534	1,952	225	911	196
Victoria ..	1,196	162	1,273	442	202	202	403	245
Queensland ..	170	176	411	83	225	64	817	60
South Australia ..	865	106	450	156	1,620	126	732	42
Western Australia ..	154	139	518	87	344	53	280	63
Tasmania ..	252	78	102	15	227	84	29	4
Northern Territory ..	18	..	35	..	2	..	1	..
Australia ..	4,588	866	4,035	1,317	4,572	754	3,173	610

SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER, 1954.

New South Wales ..	2,310	193	1,463	585	1,774	209	649	212
Victoria ..	1,097	185	1,947	589	414	217	611	243
Queensland ..	193	166	476	95	309	64	709	63
South Australia ..	877	95	507	165	1,860	107	644	63
Western Australia ..	243	131	521	112	412	46	354	42
Tasmania ..	291	109	111	19	276	134	32	6
Northern Territory ..	18	..	18	..	2	..	..	..
Australia ..	5,029	879	5,043	1,565	5,047	777	2,999	629
Total 1953-54 ..	9,059	1,790	8,520	2,812	9,105	1,539	5,765	1,355
" 1952-53 ..	8,995	1,492	7,733	1,929	8,447	1,275	6,045	1,452
" 1951-52 ..	7,972	1,638	9,727	4,682	7,697	1,325	4,487	1,231
" 1950-51 ..	6,980	1,612	9,084	3,989	6,723	1,326	5,405	1,295
" 1949-50 ..	6,447	1,520	7,686	3,576	6,419	1,207	5,061	1,388
" 1948-49 ..	6,690	1,451	5,849	2,572	6,230	1,173	5,423	1,366
" 1938-39 ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093





**Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and  
Continent at 31st December, 1954—continued.**

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

**ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—**

Ore in Casks, Bags or Drums	..	..	..	..	110s. per ton weight.
<b>Zinc—</b>					
<i>Ex</i> Risdon	..	..	..	..	68s. 6d. " " "
Other than above	..	..	..	..	88s. 6d. " " "
Dust (in cases)	..	..	..	..	392s. 6d. " " "
Sheet (in cases)	..	..	..	..	172s. " " "
Copper (ingots)	..	..	..	..	161s. 6d. " " "
Lead	..	..	..	..	88s. 6d. " " "
<b>Steel—</b>					
Billets (up to 30 feet)	..	..	..	..	130s. " " "
Tyres	..	..	..	..	148s. " " "
Tin Clippings hydraulically pressed	..	..	..	..	83s. 6d. " " "

**RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREOF—**

Rubber	..	..	..	..	150s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Leather	..	..	..	..	365s. 6d. per ton weight.

**WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—**

<b>Timber—</b>					
Logs up to 40-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	77s. 5d. per 100 super. feet.
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	83s. 2d. " " "
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	89s. 4d. " " "
Sawn. Undressed, up to 30-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	45s. 7d. " " "

**EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA AND GLASS**

STATIONERY	..	..	..	..	166s. 6d. " " "
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**DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS—**

Fertilizers	..	..	..	..	166s. 6d. " " weight
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**MISCELLANEOUS—**

Soap	..	..	..	..	166s. 6d. " " measurement
Casein	..	..	..	..	263s. 6d. " " weight

**SPECIE**

	..	..	..	..	15s. per cent
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**INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES,  
GENERAL CARGO, 31st December, 1954.**

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

(These rates are expressed in Australian currency unless otherwise footnoted.)

To—	From—				
	Brisbane.	Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Sydney.
	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	<i>s. d.</i>
Brisbane	..	133 0	..	152 6	..
Sydney	..	133 0	..	131 6	..
Melbourne	..	131 6	..	110 0	..
Adelaide	..	155 0	..	155 6	..
Fremantle	..	171 0(a)	..	114 0	..
Hobart	..	148 6(b)	..	100 0	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	..	162 0	..	..	..
Auckland(c)	..	142 0	218 1(d)	135 0	255 6
Wellington (c)	..	142 0(d)	135 0(d)	135 0(d)	255 6(d)
Lyttleton (c)	..	142 0	218 1(d)	135 0	255 6
Dunedin (c)	..	142 0	218 1(d)	135 0	255 6
New Hebrides—Vila	..	260 0	..	..	300 0
Norfolk Island	..	300 0	..	..	340 0
Papua—					
Port Moresby	..	205 0	..	..	230 0
Samarai	..	205 0	..	..	230 0
Territory of New Guinea—					
Lae and Madang	..	235 0	..	..	260 0
Rabaul	..	215 0	..	..	240 0

(a) Plus 16s. per ton if trans-shipped.  
in sterling.

(b) Trans-shipped at Sydney.  
(d) Includes Wellington Harbour Improvement Charges.

(c) Rates expressed

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Government Railways for the years 1943–44 to 1952–53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44, pages 1–15.

## GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

System.	1938–39.	1949–50.	1950–51.	1951–52.	1952–53.	1953–54.
ROUTE-MILEAGE OPEN AT END OF YEAR.						
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114	6,113	6,113	6,113	6,113	6,101
Victoria ..	4,759	4,687	4,686	4,694	4,660	4,482
Queensland(a) ..	6,567	6,560	6,560	6,560	6,560	6,560
South Australia ..	2,557	2,553	2,553	2,553	2,553	2,564
Western Australia ..	4,378	4,252	4,223	4,113	4,108	4,111
Tasmania ..	658	613	613	613	613	614
Australia ..	27,234	26,979	26,954	26,847	26,808	26,633

TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.(b)  
(‘000 miles.)

Commonwealth ..	902	1,670	1,841	1,889	1,738	1,953
New South Wales ..	30,106	(c) 41,369	(c) 38,112	(c) 40,012	36,289	37,506
Victoria ..	17,890	17,550	14,575	16,973	17,690	18,303
Queensland(a) ..	13,927	(d) 17,674	(d) 18,562	(d) 18,652	(d) 18,564	19,241
South Australia ..	6,177	6,356	6,379	6,943	7,199	7,359
Western Australia ..	6,575	6,733	7,136	6,802	5,255	7,204
Tasmania ..	1,906	2,080	2,071	2,092	1,990	1,898
Australia ..	77,483	93,432	88,676	93,363	88,725	93,464

PASSENGER-JOURNEYS.  
(‘000.)

Commonwealth ..	117	194	186	191	190	224
New South Wales ..	186,720	258,183	268,567	268,168	271,699	278,904
Victoria ..	142,124	182,101	141,313	165,131	162,857	166,106
Queensland(a) ..	24,639	32,366	34,145	35,029	35,819	35,879
South Australia ..	17,529	17,385	17,177	18,269	17,565	17,605
Western Australia ..	11,415	11,188	11,543	10,536	6,339	8,678
Tasmania ..	2,297	3,231	3,182	3,186	3,151	3,285
Australia ..	384,841	504,648	476,113	500,510	497,620	510,681

GOODS AND LIVESTOCK CARRIED.  
(‘000 tons.)

Commonwealth ..	186	549	591	694	660	762
New South Wales (d) ..	15,417	16,997	18,324	19,817	19,121	20,140
Victoria ..	5,976	9,125	7,539	9,204	9,192	9,200
Queensland(a) ..	5,234	6,943	7,182	6,823	7,351	8,081
South Australia ..	2,640	3,692	3,794	4,351	4,543	4,891
Western Australia ..	2,859	2,843	3,033	3,063	2,619	3,206
Tasmania ..	844	770	861	889	897	963
Australia ..	33,156	40,919	41,324	44,841	44,383	47,248

(a) Includes details for South Brisbane–Border section of Uniform Gauge line. (b) Excludes “Assistant” and “Light” locomotive mileages. (c) Estimated. (d) Partly estimated.

## Government Railways—continued.

System.	1938-39.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.
GROSS REVENUE.(a) (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	547	1,875	2,153	2,925	2,710	3,402
New South Wales ..	19,146	40,122	49,448	68,910	72,676	74,569
Victoria ..	9,274	20,355	18,651	24,186	31,864	35,707
Queensland(b) ..	7,798	15,988	19,772	23,358	25,985	30,223
South Australia ..	3,119	6,512	7,315	9,457	11,891	12,718
Western Australia ..	3,599	6,292	6,969	8,885	7,667	11,111
Tasmania ..	487	1,049	1,336	1,797	2,039	2,133
Australia ..	43,970	92,193	105,644	139,518	154,832	169,863

WORKING EXPENSES. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	642	1,979	2,434	2,808	2,728	2,897
New South Wales ..	14,543	39,280	49,168	64,020	66,452	68,197
Victoria ..	8,060	19,984	20,810	29,612	34,008	35,951
Queensland(b) ..	6,193	15,857	19,427	24,646	27,979	29,103
South Australia ..	2,931	8,440	9,992	13,505	15,013	14,934
Western Australia ..	2,911	7,387	8,932	11,016	12,510	14,298
Tasmania ..	678	1,728	2,009	2,567	2,864	2,804
Australia ..	35,958	94,655	112,772	148,174	161,554	168,184

NET REVENUE. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	— 95	— 104	— 231	117	— 18	505
New South Wales ..	4,603	842	230	4,890	6,224	6,372
Victoria ..	1,214	371	— 2,159	— 5,426	— 2,144	— 244
Queensland(b) ..	1,605	131	345	— 1,238	— 1,994	1,120
South Australia ..	188	— 1,928	— 2,677	— 4,048	— 3,122	— 2,216
Western Australia ..	688	— 1,095	— 1,963	— 2,131	— 4,843	— 3,187
Tasmania ..	— 191	— 679	— 673	— 770	— 825	— 671
Australia ..	8,012	— 2,462	— 7,123	— 8,656	— 6,722	1,679

RATIO OF WORKING EXPENSES TO GROSS REVENUE. (PER CENT.)						
Commonwealth ..	117.43	105.53	113.04	95.99	100.66	85.14
New South Wales ..	75.96	97.90	99.43	92.90	91.44	91.45
Victoria ..	80.91	98.18	111.58	122.43	106.73	100.68
Queensland(b) ..	79.42	99.18	98.26	105.51	103.67	96.30
South Australia ..	93.97	129.61	136.60	142.81	126.26	117.42
Western Australia ..	80.90	117.40	123.17	123.98	163.18	128.68
Tasmania ..	139.18	164.73	150.35	142.81	140.44	131.48
Australia ..	81.78	102.67	106.74	106.20	104.34	99.01

(a) Excludes Government Grants.

(b) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge line.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

## Government Railways—continued.

(The table on this page is prepared from quarterly statements supplied by each Government Railway, and figures therein are not completely comparable with those shown in preceding pages which are derived, in the main, from the Annual Reports of the Government Railways.)

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A. (b)	Tas.	Total.
THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1953.								
Route Miles open ..	2,201	6,113	4,660	6,491	2,553	4,108	613	26,739
Train-miles run ..	524	9,544	4,480	5,143	1,844	1,730	470	23,785
Revenue £'000—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)	215	4,906	2,595	1,267	442	291	48	9,764
Goods, including Live- stock and Minerals	600	13,676	5,382	6,756	2,502	1,815	449	31,180
Miscellaneous ..	69	(c) 220	510	(d)	198	138	14	(e) 1,149
Total Revenue ..	884	(f) 18,802	8,487	8,023	3,142	2,244	511	42,093
Working Expenses £'000	750	16,014	8,635	7,176	3,681	3,302	(g) 684	40,242
Net Revenue .. £'000	134	2,788	148	847	539	1,058	178	1,851
Ratio of Working Ex- penses to Revenue %	84.85	85.17	101.75	89.44	117.15	142.68	133.80	95.60
Revenue per Train-mile	33s. 9d.	35s. 2d.	37s. 11d.	31s. 3d.	34s. 1d.	25s. 11d.	21s. 9d.	33s. 10d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	28s. 8d.	29s. 11d.	38s. 7d.	27s. 11d.	39s. 11d.	38s. 2d.	29s. 1d.	32s. 4d.
Passenger-journeys '000	52	68,479	41,160	9,596	4,397	2,174	820	126,678
Freight Carried, tons—								
Livestock ..	26	(h) 172	111	222	50	31	4	616
Coal and Coke ..	123			431	271	134		
Other Minerals ..	2	5,173	2,009	167	185	71	61	
Other Goods ..	50			1,700	688	505	170	
Total Freight ..	201	5,345	2,120	2,520	1,194	741	235	12,356

## THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1954.

Route Miles open ..	2,201	6,101	4,482	6,491	2,564	4,111	613	26,563
Train-miles run ..	524	9,552	4,580	5,221	1,853	1,870	449	24,049
Revenue £'000—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)	206	4,965	2,665	1,323	439	324	51	9,978
Goods, including Live- stock and Minerals	712	13,918	5,802	7,336	2,747	2,476	483	33,474
Miscellaneous ..	80	(c) 231	561	(d)	222	203	10	(e) 1,262
Total Revenue ..	998	(f) 19,114	8,983	8,664	3,408	3,003	544	44,714
Working Expenses £'000	758	16,582	9,060	7,437	3,717	3,481	(g) 674	41,709
Net Revenue .. £'000	240	2,532	77	1,227	309	478	130	3,005
Ratio of Working Ex- penses to Revenue %	75.91	86.75	100.86	85.84	109.07	115.90	123.81	93.28
Revenue per Train-mile	38s. 1d.	35s. 9d.	39s. 3d.	33s. 2d.	36s. 9d.	32s. 1d.	21s. 10d.	35s. 5d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	28s. 11d.	31s. 0d.	39s. 7d.	28s. 6d.	40s. 2d.	37s. 3d.	27s. 0d.	33s. 0d.
Passenger-journeys '000	52	69,256	43,173	9,712	4,227	2,344	823	129,587
Freight Carried, tons—								
Livestock ..	23	(h) 175	137	232	57	31	4	659
Coal and Coke ..	139			509	260	178		
Other Minerals ..	3	5,094	2,141	164	247	46	63	
Other Goods ..	65			1,733	693	541	183	
Total Freight ..	230	5,269	2,278	2,638	1,257	796	255	12,723

(a) Excludes South Brisbane-Border section of the Uniform Gauge Line. (b) Includes road motors. (c) From sale of electrical energy only. Other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods. (d) Included with Coaching. (e) Incomplete. See notes for individual Systems. (f) Excludes Government contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (g) Excludes depreciation. (h) Estimated.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.



NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Electric Tramways and Motor Omnibus Services for the years 1943–44 to 1952–53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin*, No. 44, pages 16–22.

## ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

(Including details of Trolley Bus Services with the exception of those in Queensland.)

State and Year.	Route-mileage Open at 30th June.	Car-miles Run.	Passenger- journeys.	Gross Revenue. (a)	Working Expenses. (b)	Net Revenue.
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1953–54.						
New South Wales	126	16,542	203,508	5,056	6,883	— 1,827
Victoria ..	175	24,130	222,541	5,441	5,588	— 147
Queensland ..	67	9,879	104,790	2,293	2,236	57
South Australia ..	92	7,916	56,966	1,776	2,237	— 461
Western Australia	30	2,307	18,743	509	610	— 101
Tasmania (c) ..	(d) 30	2,988	23,009	705	627	78
Total 1953–54 ..	520	63,762	629,557	15,780	18,181	— 2,401
Total—1952–53(c)	544	65,895	647,417	15,968	18,420	— 2,452
1951–52(c)	560	67,923	685,724	15,121	17,109	— 1,988
1950–51(e)	567	71,746	749,138	13,610	14,553	— 943
1949–50(e)	555	72,708	754,483	11,785	12,477	— 692
1933–39 ..	606	81,361	695,476	7,649	6,089	1,560

(a) Excludes Government Grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Includes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Omnibus services. (d) Excludes 15 miles of Hobart Omnibus services. (e) Includes particulars of Hobart Municipal Council Omnibus Services.

NOTE.—Minus sign (–) denotes loss.

## GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICES.

(Excluding details of Trolley Bus Services with the exception of those in Queensland.)

State or Territory and Year.	Route-mileage at 30th June.	Omnibus-mileage.	Passenger-journeys.	Gross Revenue.(a)	Working Expenses.(b)
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1953–54.					
New South Wales ..	463	31,829	212,200	4,612	7,216
Victoria ..	64	7,892	59,111	1,477	1,462
Queensland ..	409	5,954	33,934	849	899
South Australia ..	38	2,251	10,006	296	442
Western Australia ..	3,036	7,370	26,474	1,278	974
Tasmania (c) ..	535	1,156	1,785	207	194
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	46	866	(d)	134	200
Total 1953–54 ..	4,591	57,318	(e) 343,510	8,853	11,387
Total—1952–53(c)	4,533	55,672	(e) 336,462	9,320	11,465
1951–52(c)	4,458	54,124	333,200	8,542	10,298
1950–51(f)	3,994	53,548	340,314	7,572	8,234
1949–50(f)	3,208	53,817	325,079	6,307	6,743

(a) Excludes Government Grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Excludes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Omnibus Services, details of which are included with Electric Tramways. (d) Not available. (e) Excludes details for Australian Capital Territory. (f) Excludes particulars of Hobart Municipal Council Omnibus Services.

NOTE:—Further details of Motor Vehicle Registrations &c. appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44 and the Monthly and Annual Bulletin of Registrations of New Motor Vehicles.

### MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES AND GROSS REVENUE.

State or Territory and Year.	Registrations at 30th June. Number.				Drivers' and Riders' Licences in Force at 30th June.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Commercial Vehicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registration and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders', &c., Licences.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
						£	£	£	£
1953-54.									
New South Wales	398,397	213,709	42,451	654,557	914,239	8,076,814	713,768	2,054,640	10,845,222
Victoria	397,658	130,707	30,881	559,246	708,307	4,658,244	354,181	1,008,737	6,021,162
Queensland	145,933	115,907	22,367	284,207	(a)	3,801,126	118,620	919,787	4,839,533
South Australia	133,281	62,038	23,093	218,412	260,938	2,151,302	301,444	51,477	2,504,223
Western Australia	78,312	60,381	15,243	153,936	168,420	1,124,320	101,179	145,095	1,370,594
Tasmania	39,974	19,739	5,649	65,362	78,244	575,036	35,220	145,913	756,169
Northern Territory									
Australian Capital Territory	1,164	2,228	431	3,823	6,862	21,245	4,724	45	26,014
	5,114	2,190	499	7,803	11,109	42,092	5,819	665	48,576
Total 1953-54	1199833	606,899	140,614	1,947,346	62148119	20,450,179	1,634,955	4,326,359	26,411,493
1952-53(c)	1107659	579,444	147,639	1,834,742	2,288,370	18,779,761	1,403,019	3,708,435	23,891,215
1951-52(c)	1030992	580,502	153,933	1,765,427	2,194,167	15,995,554	1,336,530	3,607,266	20,939,350
1950-51(c)	882,455	548,373	145,132	1,575,960	1,985,821	12,333,075	1,141,318	2,403,767	15,878,160
1949-50(c)	766,863	492,964	133,483	1,393,310	1,845,265	9,596,034	862,509	1,811,989	12,270,532
1938-39..	562,271	258,025	79,237	899,533	1,238,497	6,318,435	508,387	257,652	7,084,474

(a) Not available.

(b) Excludes Queensland.

(c) Registrations exclude Northern Territory.

### MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

(Number.)

Vehicles and Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.									
Motor Cars	421,182	433,596	155,267	139,704	84,960	42,551	1,462	5,511	1,284,233
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	221,429	140,359	120,337	64,621	62,057	20,900	2,648	2,283	634,625
Motor Cycles	41,468	30,637	22,230	22,541	14,892	5,515	554	497	138,334
Total	684,070	604,592	297,834	226,866	161,909	68,966	4,664	8,291	2,057,192
At 30th June, 1954	654,557	559,246	284,207	218,412	153,936	63,362	3,823	7,803	1,947,346
" " " 1953	613,554	539,828	266,221	205,702	141,945	60,545	(a)	6,947	1,834,742
" " " 1952	590,532	533,226	255,025	192,313	132,967	55,104	(a)	6,260	1,765,427
" " " 1951	544,345	444,400	240,784	173,043	118,692	49,173	(a)	5,523	1,575,960
" " " 1939	319,015	261,855	128,163	90,756	69,677	26,360	1,426	2,279	899,533

(a) Not available.

(b) Excludes N.T.

### REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES.

(Number.)

Vehicles and Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1954.									
Motor Cars	27,405	26,210	10,605	9,423	6,596	2,768	111	460	83,578
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	12,940	8,117	6,412	3,481	3,301	1,248	169	128	35,796
Motor Cycles	1,625	1,164	819	1,124	635	216	24	27	5,634
Total	41,970	35,491	17,836	14,028	10,532	4,232	304	615	125,008
Total 1953-54	67,987	50,904	28,455	21,162	16,864	7,133	420	932	193,857
1952-53	53,099	43,132	23,372	17,470	13,983	5,566	(a)386	688	156,996
1951-52	73,466	70,256	27,270	24,466	17,382	7,278	(b)	817	220,935
1950-51	85,065	61,566	34,456	25,422	17,740	7,466	(b)	1,040	232,755
1938-39	30,534	24,270	14,024	8,143	6,046	3,060	(b)	327	86,404

(a) Excludes motor cycles.

(b) Not available.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars. Commonwealth owned and Department of Navy vehicles are included but other Defence Service vehicles are excluded.

Prior to 12th November, 1951 primary producers' vehicles registered in Victoria included private cars and commercial vehicles, and were included in commercial vehicle registrations. Since that date only vehicles constructed for the carriage of goods and used by primary producers solely in connexion with their business are so registered.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Civil Aviation for the years 1943-44 to 1952-53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44, page 24.

## CIVIL AVIATION.

## Australian Registrations, Licences, Aerodromes, Etc.

Particulars.	At 30th June.				At 30th September.	
	1939.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
Registered Aircraft Owners ..	160	343	369	384	366	390
Registered Aircraft ..	344	786	821	845	819	847
Pilots' Licences—						
Private .. ..	1,123	1,444	1,677	2,085	1,769	2,059
Commercial .. ..	376	470	518	552	509	539
Airline Transport .. ..	..	948	911	917	902	939
Flight Navigators' Licences ..	(a) 65	155	163	166	162	171
Radio Operators' Licences ..	(b) 75	1,222	1,256	1,310	1,251	1,333
Flight Engineers' Licences ..	..	53	58	67	56	78
Ground Engineers' Licences ..	565	1,720	1,790	1,757	1,778	1,742
Aerodromes—						
Government .. ..	71	189	186	198	185	190
Public .. ..	213	269	260	262	261	286
Flying Boat Bases and Alighting Areas ..	11	11	15	16	15	16

## Australian Airline Operations, Etc.

Particulars.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Three Months Ended 30th September—	
					1953.	1954.

## REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES.

Hours flown ..	No.	60,733	260,947	237,640	251,019	59,109	63,676
Miles flown ..	'000.	7,930	41,831	39,059	41,014	9,541	10,572
Paying passengers ..	'000.	94	1,829	1,706	1,772	401	437
Paying passenger-miles ..	'000.	35,569	721,573	667,321	702,139	158,388	177,243
Freight—							
Tons (c).. ..	..	712	57,464	57,635	69,479	16,346	17,997
Ton-miles (c) ..	'000.	(d)	26,684	27,167	32,650	7,642	8,780
Mail—							
Tons (c).. ..	..	(e) 82	2,682	2,311	2,316	587	634
Ton-miles (c) ..	'000.	(d)	1,285	1,166	1,225	307	331

## OVERSEA SERVICES.(f)

Unduplicated route miles (g)	No.	5,989	43,455	66,558	64,250	67,105	64,768
Hours flown ..	..	12,677	50,336	54,148	53,580	13,145	12,427
Miles flown ..	'000.	1,735	10,664	11,565	11,464	2,833	2,693
Paying passengers ..	No.	5,337	95,134	97,753	102,965	23,398	25,383
Paying passenger-miles ..	'000.	7,332	265,756	275,206	290,603	71,077	75,187
Freight—							
Tons (c).. ..	..	66	2,138	1,957	2,295	541	613
Ton-miles (c) ..	'000.	(d)	6,716	7,401	8,331	2,034	2,278
Mail—							
Tons (c).. ..	..	(e) 277	1,141	1,168	1,379	288	343
Ton-miles (c) ..	'000.	(d)	6,162	6,122	7,718	1,517	1,877

## AUSTRALIAN AIRCRAFT(h) ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CASUALTIES.

Number .. ..	(d)	25	16	26	7	6
Persons Killed .. ..	38	37	5	36	3	5
Persons Injured .. ..	15	22	19	27	7	3

(a) Navigators' licences. (b) Aircraft Radio Telegraph Operators only. (c) In terms of short tons (2,000 lb.). (d) Not available. (e) Net weight. (f) Airlines wholly-owned or partly-owned by Australian interests. (g) At 30th June. (h) Aircraft on Australian Register and gliders, irrespective of location of accident.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones for the years 1943-44 to 1952-53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44, on pages 47-68. Further details of Road Traffic Accidents are included in pages 27-33.

### TELEPHONES—LINES AND INSTRUMENTS CONNECTED.

(Number.)

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 31st December, 1954.
	1939.	1952.	1953.	1954.	
Lines connected ..	487,535	927,273	985,383	1,049,626	1,087,572
Instruments connected ..	661,996	1,300,790	1,383,702	1,475,513	1,530,680

### BROADCASTING—LISTENERS' LICENCES.

(Number.)

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (b)	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia.
30th June, 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1950(c)	748,268	557,556	274,279	227,911	149,328	72,286	2,029,628
" " 1951(c)	753,758	586,393	283,019	244,311	159,436	77,743	2,109,660
" " 1952 ..	741,355	520,364	279,852	208,691	141,950	68,822	1,961,044
" " 1953 ..	742,002	533,329	282,338	215,104	145,141	70,741	1,985,655
" " 1954 ..	769,478	545,148	287,683	220,065	148,192	71,047	2,041,613
31st Dec., 1954 ..	762,586	546,287	291,469	221,262	150,370	71,786	2,043,760

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Includes separate licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

### ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.(a)

(Reported to the Police.)

State or Territory, and Period.	Total Accidents Reported.	Accidents involving Casualties.	Persons Killed.			Persons Injured.		
			Number.	Per Million of Population.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.	Number.	Per Million of Population.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.
THREE MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.								
New South Wales ..	8,202	3,016	202	59	31	3,681	1,073	556
Victoria (b) ..	3,640	2,431	121	49	21	2,956	1,202	521
Queensland ..	4,937	1,534	56	42	19	2,001	1,516	696
South Australia ..	3,181	828	30	38	14	1,031	1,291	468
Western Australia ..	2,684	838	44	68	29	1,094	1,704	710
Tasmania ..	900	249	20	65	30	314	1,017	475
Australian Capital Territory ..	62	23	2	65	25	28	915	354
Total ..	23,606	8,919	475	53	24	11,105	1,235	565
Year 1953-54(c) ..	86,639	35,108	1,898	210	100	44,085	4,950	2,270
„ 1952-53(c) ..	75,295	31,635	1,856	213	101	39,405	4,513	2,147
„ 1951-52(c) ..	68,110	31,144	2,054	241	116	38,376	4,502	2,174
„ 1950-51(c) ..	57,261	28,760	1,926	232	122	35,095	4,230	2,227

(a) Refers to those accidents (known to the police) which occurred in public thoroughfares and which resulted in death or in bodily injury to any person to an extent requiring medical or surgical treatment, or in damage in excess of £10 to property. It should be noted, however, that the comparability of the statistics between States, even on this basis, still depends on the degree to which accidents so defined are in fact recorded by the police. Under legislation passed in Tasmania on 10th August, 1954, it is no longer obligatory to report accidents involving only damage to property. (b) During September quarter, 1954, 585 accidents which occurred in Victoria during June quarter, were reported. Details of these accidents, which have not been included pending further investigation can be obtained on request.

(c) Excludes Northern Territory.



## Section X.—Employment, Unemployment and Wages.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—AUSTRALIA.(a)  
(’000.)

Month.	Total Employment. (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (d)
MALES.										
1939—July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	52.2	391.5	149.7	185.9	259.7		133.6
1952—June	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	58.8	661.6	214.0	299.9	124.8	191.2	173.2
1953—June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	58.0	666.3	193.2	295.1	125.0	191.0	174.1
1954—June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	58.7	696.1	205.7	300.1	128.4	198.3	176.6
1953—July	566.1	1,316.3	1,882.4	58.5	667.2	191.2	293.7	124.3	189.6	173.7
Aug.	566.8	1,319.4	1,886.2	58.3	669.0	190.3	295.5	124.5	190.4	174.0
Sept.	566.7	1,323.6	1,890.3	58.5	671.4	189.7	295.7	124.8	191.8	174.1
Oct.	567.4	1,330.4	1,897.8	58.3	675.3	190.6	296.4	125.5	193.4	174.6
Nov.	568.7	1,337.9	1,906.6	58.5	679.4	191.4	296.5	127.8	194.2	175.2
Dec.	569.9	1,340.9	1,910.8	58.4	678.1	191.8	296.4	131.7	194.7	175.8
1954—July	582.1	1,365.2	1,947.3	57.9	696.1	205.2	300.8	128.0	198.2	176.1
Aug.	582.4	1,366.9	1,949.3	57.9	697.8	204.0	300.9	128.0	199.4	176.3
Sept.	581.9	1,371.2	1,953.1	57.8	698.9	204.5	300.6	128.2	200.6	177.3
Oct.	581.1	1,374.1	1,955.2	57.6	700.6	203.8	300.4	128.2	202.5	177.4
Nov.	583.6	1,381.2	1,964.8	57.7	703.5	203.4	301.5	131.7	203.7	178.1
Dec.	584.7	1,384.3	1,969.0	57.6	702.4	201.0	302.7	134.9	205.0	179.6
FEMALES.										
1939—July	55.2	381.9	437.1	0.3	148.2	1.2	12.6	114.9		129.0
1952—June	115.3	564.1	679.4	0.9	199.2	4.2	39.5	112.6	72.9	215.0
1953—June	112.0	561.7	673.7	0.9	202.9	4.3	36.2	109.9	71.5	213.5
1954—June	114.5	593.0	707.5	1.0	219.8	4.7	36.5	115.3	77.0	218.7
1953—July	112.5	562.8	675.3	0.9	204.2	4.4	36.2	109.8	71.7	213.1
Aug.	112.5	565.0	677.5	0.9	205.1	4.4	36.0	109.7	72.4	214.0
Sept.	112.4	569.1	681.5	0.9	207.7	4.5	36.1	110.2	72.5	214.7
Oct.	111.8	574.5	686.3	0.9	211.1	4.5	36.0	111.5	72.7	215.3
Nov.	111.9	582.7	694.6	0.9	213.2	4.5	36.0	116.7	73.2	215.6
Dec.	111.3	590.0	701.3	0.9	213.9	4.5	35.8	122.4	73.5	215.9
1954—July	115.4	593.7	709.1	1.0	220.5	4.7	36.4	114.9	77.6	218.8
Aug.	116.0	594.5	710.5	1.0	220.7	4.7	36.7	114.9	78.1	219.0
Sept.	116.1	598.5	714.6	1.0	220.0	4.7	36.9	115.9	78.7	220.4
Oct.	116.5	602.2	718.7	1.0	223.4	4.6	37.5	117.7	78.6	221.1
Nov.	117.0	610.5	727.5	1.0	224.6	4.7	37.7	123.8	79.2	221.6
Dec.	116.3	615.6	731.9	1.0	224.4	4.7	37.1	128.3	79.1	222.3
PERSONS.										
1939—July	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	52.5	539.7	150.9	198.5	374.6		262.6
1952—June	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	59.7	860.8	218.2	339.4	237.4	264.1	388.2
1953—June	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	58.9	869.2	197.5	331.3	234.9	262.5	387.6
1954—June	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	59.7	915.9	210.4	336.6	243.7	275.3	395.3
1953—July	678.6	1,879.1	2,557.7	59.4	871.4	195.6	329.9	234.1	261.3	386.8
Aug.	679.3	1,884.4	2,563.7	59.2	874.1	194.7	331.5	234.2	262.8	388.0
Sept.	679.1	1,892.7	2,571.8	59.4	879.1	194.2	331.8	235.0	264.3	388.8
Oct.	679.2	1,904.9	2,584.1	59.2	886.4	195.1	332.4	237.0	266.1	389.9
Nov.	680.6	1,920.6	2,601.2	59.4	892.6	195.9	332.5	244.5	267.4	390.8
Dec.	681.2	1,930.9	2,612.1	59.3	892.0	196.3	332.2	254.1	268.2	391.7
1954—July	697.5	1,958.9	2,656.4	58.9	916.6	209.9	337.2	242.9	275.8	394.9
Aug.	698.4	1,961.4	2,659.8	58.9	918.5	208.7	337.6	242.9	277.5	395.3
Sept.	698.0	1,969.7	2,667.7	58.8	920.9	209.2	337.5	244.1	279.3	397.7
Oct.	697.6	1,976.3	2,673.9	58.6	924.0	208.4	337.9	245.9	281.1	398.5
Nov.	700.6	1,991.7	2,692.3	58.7	928.1	208.1	339.2	255.5	282.9	399.7
Dec.	701.0	1,999.9	2,700.9	58.6	926.8	205.7	339.8	263.2	284.1	401.9

(a) Employees in the Defence Forces at home or abroad and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures for months subsequent to May, 1945 (Factories, June, 1948), subject to revision.

(b) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post-offices, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, &c., as well as administrative employees within Australia.

(c) From July, 1948, monthly figures are estimates subject to revision.

(d) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants Professional and Personal Services (except female private domestic).

## WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—STATES.(a)

('000.)

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
MALES.									
1939—July ..	529.9	357.5	172.8	106.7	82.9	37.4	2.1	3.8	1,293.1
1950—June ..	740.8	510.7	250.4	165.7	120.5	58.4	4.5	7.7	1,858.7
1951—June ..	758.2	525.8	259.3	170.0	125.3	60.2	4.6	8.1	1,911.5
1952—June ..	754.4	524.4	258.1	171.5	126.0	61.0	4.4	8.3	1,908.1
1953—June ..	734.3	521.6	255.2	170.6	130.2	61.8	4.6	8.5	1,886.8
1954—June ..	758.1	539.7	263.7	176.0	135.0	62.8	4.9	8.2	1,948.4
1953—July ..	733.0	520.4	254.7	169.4	130.5	61.3	4.7	8.4	1,882.4
Aug. ..	733.3	521.9	256.1	170.2	130.3	61.1	4.8	8.5	1,886.2
Sept. ..	735.3	522.4	256.0	171.3	130.9	61.1	4.8	8.5	1,890.3
Oct. ..	740.0	525.2	255.0	171.8	131.4	61.3	4.8	8.3	1,897.8
Nov. ..	745.0	527.1	255.4	172.8	131.9	61.3	4.8	8.3	1,906.6
Dec. ..	747.8	529.6	252.5	173.2	132.6	61.9	4.9	8.3	1,910.8
1954—July ..	757.8	540.0	264.6	175.3	134.2	62.3	4.9	8.2	1,947.3
Aug. ..	758.8	539.9	264.9	175.8	135.0	61.9	4.8	8.2	1,949.3
Sept. ..	760.5	542.1	265.1	175.4	134.9	62.0	4.9	8.2	1,953.1
Oct. ..	761.9	542.6	264.7	175.5	135.1	62.3	4.9	8.2	1,955.2
Nov. ..	767.4	545.0	264.7	176.0	135.7	62.9	4.8	8.3	1,964.8
Dec. ..	770.0	546.9	263.3	176.5	135.5	63.7	4.8	8.3	1,969.0

## FEMALES.

1939—July ..	168.0	142.9	53.2	34.0	26.2	11.6	0.2	1.0	437.1
1950—June ..	278.5	210.0	83.1	54.3	39.9	19.4	0.9	2.1	688.2
1951—June ..	290.9	219.6	86.1	57.0	41.6	20.3	0.8	2.5	718.8
1952—June ..	270.5	206.6	83.8	54.9	40.5	19.8	0.8	2.5	679.4
1953—June ..	266.2	205.9	83.7	53.4	41.0	20.1	0.9	2.5	673.7
1954—June ..	279.5	217.7	86.1	56.9	42.8	21.0	0.9	2.6	707.5
1953—July ..	266.8	206.5	83.9	53.6	41.2	19.9	0.9	2.5	675.3
Aug. ..	268.1	206.8	84.2	53.9	41.3	19.8	0.9	2.5	677.5
Sept. ..	269.8	208.6	84.4	54.2	41.4	19.7	0.9	2.5	681.5
Oct. ..	272.2	210.0	84.5	54.5	41.8	19.9	0.9	2.5	686.3
Nov. ..	276.8	212.2	84.5	55.3	42.2	20.2	0.9	2.5	694.6
Dec. ..	278.8	214.6	85.1	56.2	42.6	20.6	0.9	2.5	701.3
1954—July ..	279.9	218.2	86.8	57.1	43.0	20.6	0.9	2.6	709.1
Aug. ..	281.4	218.2	86.9	57.4	42.9	20.2	0.9	2.6	710.5
Sept. ..	283.7	219.1	86.9	57.8	43.2	20.3	0.9	2.7	714.6
Oct. ..	286.1	220.4	86.7	58.2	43.5	20.2	0.9	2.7	718.7
Nov. ..	291.0	222.3	87.6	58.6	43.9	20.5	0.9	2.7	727.5
Dec. ..	293.0	223.0	88.3	58.8	44.2	21.0	0.9	2.7	731.9

## PERSONS.

1939—July ..	697.9	500.4	226.0	140.7	109.1	49.0	2.3	4.8	1,730.2
1950—June ..	1,019.3	720.7	333.5	220.0	160.4	77.8	5.4	9.8	2,546.9
1951—June ..	1,049.1	745.4	345.4	227.0	166.9	80.5	5.4	10.6	2,630.3
1952—June ..	1,024.9	731.0	341.9	226.4	166.5	80.8	5.2	10.8	2,587.5
1953—June ..	1,000.5	727.5	338.9	224.0	171.2	81.9	5.5	11.0	2,560.5
1954—June ..	1,037.6	757.4	349.8	232.9	177.8	83.8	5.8	10.8	2,655.9
1953—July ..	999.8	726.9	338.6	223.0	171.7	81.2	5.6	10.9	2,557.7
Aug. ..	1,001.4	728.7	340.3	224.1	171.6	80.9	5.7	11.0	2,563.7
Sept. ..	1,005.1	731.0	340.4	225.5	172.3	80.8	5.7	11.0	2,571.8
Oct. ..	1,012.2	735.2	339.5	226.3	173.2	81.2	5.7	10.8	2,584.1
Nov. ..	1,021.8	739.3	339.9	228.1	174.1	81.5	5.7	10.8	2,601.2
Dec. ..	1,026.6	744.2	337.6	229.4	175.2	82.5	5.8	10.8	2,612.1
1954—July ..	1,037.7	758.2	351.4	232.4	177.2	82.9	5.8	10.8	2,656.4
Aug. ..	1,040.2	758.1	351.8	233.2	177.9	82.1	5.7	10.8	2,659.8
Sept. ..	1,044.2	761.2	352.0	233.2	178.1	82.3	5.8	10.9	2,667.7
Oct. ..	1,048.0	763.0	351.4	233.7	178.6	82.5	5.8	10.9	2,673.9
Nov. ..	1,058.4	767.3	352.3	234.6	179.6	83.4	5.7	11.0	2,692.3
Dec. ..	1,063.0	769.9	351.6	235.3	179.7	84.7	5.7	11.0	2,700.9

(a) Excludes Rural, Household Domestic, Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp.  
See also notes on previous page.

## WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.				
							Males.	Females.	Persons.	Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unadjusted.	Adjusted (a)
1938-39(b)	'000. 219.5	'000. 193.9	'000. 51.5	'000. 42.0	'000. 22.1	'000. 18.2	'000. 391.8	'000. 150.4	'000. 542.2	1,031	1,022
1949-50(b)(c)	358.8	281.5	79.6	75.7	36.6	21.9	636.9	217.2	854.1	1,624	1,386
1950-51(b)(c)	379.0	290.4	83.2	80.8	38.6	22.2	664.8	229.4	894.2	1,701	1,408
1951-52(b)(c)	377.9	292.2	83.1	81.3	38.9	22.0	672.4	223.0	895.4	1,703	1,369
1952-53(b)(c)	351.4	279.1	82.1	77.2	38.7	21.5	652.7	197.3	850.0	1,617	1,268
1953-54(b)(c)	369.6	296.1	85.0	82.2	40.3	22.4	681.1	214.5	895.6	1,703	1,312
1953-54—											
October	367.1	292.3	85.2	80.1	40.0	21.7	675.3	211.1	886.4	1,686	1,306
November	370.2	294.3	85.2	80.9	40.2	21.8	679.4	213.2	892.6	1,698	1,313
December	370.5	294.1	82.5	82.3	40.3	22.3	678.1	213.9	892.0	1,696	1,310
January	371.0	296.4	81.9	83.9	40.3	23.0	680.7	215.8	896.5	1,705	1,311
February	373.7	299.8	83.3	84.0	40.4	22.5	685.2	218.5	903.7	1,719	1,319
March	374.9	303.4	84.0	84.6	40.7	23.1	688.3	222.4	910.7	1,732	1,327
April	375.0	303.7	84.4	84.7	40.5	23.4	690.2	221.5	911.7	1,734	1,327
May	376.0	302.1	86.3	84.4	40.6	23.4	692.4	220.4	912.8	1,736	1,326
June	376.7	302.7	88.1	84.3	40.8	23.3	696.1	219.8	915.9	1,742	1,329
1954-55											
July	377.1	303.2	89.0	83.9	40.6	22.8	696.1	220.5	916.6	1,743	1,330
August	378.5	303.9	89.0	84.2	40.6	22.3	697.8	220.7	918.5	1,747	1,333
September	380.4	304.9	88.8	84.1	40.5	22.9	698.9	222.0	920.9	1,752	1,336
October	382.1	306.6	88.0	84.2	40.9	22.2	700.6	223.4	924.0	1,757	1,340
November	384.6	308.1	87.6	84.4	41.1	22.3	703.5	224.6	928.1	1,765	1,346
December	383.8	308.3	85.7	84.7	41.2	23.1	702.4	224.4	926.8	1,763	1,342

(a) Divided by Index of Total Population.  
monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision.

(b) Average of monthly figures.

(c) From July, 1948.

## WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN RETAIL TRADE.(a)

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Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.(b)		
							Males.	Females.	Persons.
1949-50(c)	93.4	66.8	30.2	23.1	17.6	7.0	126.7	112.0	238.7
1950-51(c)	97.2	69.8	31.1	23.9	18.2	7.3	129.3	117.8	247.1
1951-52(c)	95.9	68.6	31.3	23.6	18.4	7.3	128.0	117.7	245.7
1952-53(c)	90.1	66.1	30.0	22.4	18.1	7.2	124.2	110.4	234.6
1953-54(c)	93.0	67.5	30.6	23.1	19.0	7.5	127.2	114.0	241.2
1953-54—									
October	90.9	66.4	30.4	22.7	18.7	7.3	125.5	111.5	237.0
November	95.2	67.7	31.0	23.5	19.0	7.6	127.8	116.7	244.5
December	99.1	71.7	31.8	23.4	19.7	7.9	131.7	122.4	254.1
January	95.2	67.5	31.3	23.3	19.3	7.9	128.4	116.8	245.2
February	92.7	67.3	30.3	23.0	19.0	7.6	127.1	113.5	240.6
March	93.0	67.7	30.2	23.1	19.0	7.5	127.3	113.7	241.0
April	92.8	68.1	30.2	23.4	19.1	7.5	127.6	114.1	241.7
May	93.6	68.2	30.4	23.4	19.3	7.5	128.4	114.7	243.1
June	93.6	68.5	30.8	23.4	19.3	7.4	128.4	115.3	243.7
1954-55—									
July	93.2	68.3	30.7	23.3	19.4	7.5	128.0	114.9	242.9
August	93.4	68.1	30.8	23.3	19.2	7.4	128.0	114.9	242.9
September	93.9	68.3	31.0	23.6	19.2	7.6	128.2	115.9	244.1
October	94.8	68.7	31.1	23.7	19.4	7.5	128.2	117.7	245.9
November	100.0	71.0	31.8	24.4	19.8	7.8	131.7	123.8	255.5
December	104.4	72.7	32.5	24.5	20.3	8.1	134.9	128.3	263.2

(a) Estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. Figures from June, 1945, subject to revision.

(b) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Average of monthly figures.

## UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.<sup>(a)</sup>

(For particulars of benefits paid, see page 66.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
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## UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

1947-48	..	664	150	2,632	51	409	33	..	..	3,939
1948-49	..	270	32	1,100	14	126	31	..	..	1,573
1949-50	..	10,728	123	1,578	326	267	30	..	..	13,057
1950-51	..	293	90	320	6	60	15	..	..	784
1951-52	..	795	162	1,348	17	57	12	..	..	2,391
1952-53	..	17,270	6,114	4,185	841	844	256	..	..	29,510
1953-54	..	6,859	2,856	3,177	270	427	223	..	..	13,812
Quarter ended— December, 1952		20,400	7,518	3,290	1,082	964	335	..	..	33,589
March, 1953		21,766	6,556	6,322	990	997	213	..	..	36,844
June, "		16,137	5,539	4,688	631	675	245	..	..	27,915
September, "		12,813	5,563	2,909	610	793	421	..	..	23,049
December, "		6,713	2,919	2,630	259	423	267	..	..	13,211
March, 1954		4,803	1,745	4,697	130	322	110	..	..	11,807
June, "		3,108	1,196	2,473	79	231	94	..	..	7,181
September, "		2,563	1,025	1,137	88	172	138	..	3	4,926
December "		1,333	563	908	63	117	111	..	4	3,099

## SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1947-48	..	3,299	2,228	1,062	791	691	430	..	..	8,501
1948-49	..	3,018	1,928	978	709	600	395	..	..	7,628
1949-50	..	2,971	1,960	997	737	497	390	..	..	7,552
1950-51	..	2,883	1,835	958	657	475	317	..	..	7,125
1951-52	..	2,593	1,584	935	695	461	218	..	..	6,486
1952-53	..	2,991	1,706	1,027	670	433	227	..	..	7,054
1953-54	..	3,340	1,975	1,241	693	479	239	..	..	7,967
Quarter ended— December, 1952		2,920	1,543	1,041	622	402	225	..	..	6,753
March, 1953		3,213	1,723	1,038	667	423	217	..	..	7,281
June, "		3,262	1,956	1,109	713	482	245	..	..	7,767
September, "		3,525	2,121	1,251	735	504	269	..	..	8,405
December, "		3,413	2,031	1,263	734	493	246	..	..	8,180
March, 1954		3,160	1,834	1,212	646	464	215	..	..	7,531
June, "		3,262	1,916	1,239	658	454	223	..	..	7,752
September, "		3,564	2,095	1,258	696	485	252	4	12	8,366
December "		3,382	2,046	1,337	676	452	241	6	12	8,152

(a) In addition, the average number of persons (excluding migrants) receiving Special Benefits at end of each week were:—1947-48, 494; 1948-49, 574; 1949-50, 877; 1950-51, 863; 1951-52, 987; 1952-53, 1,372; and 1953-54, 1,859.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory to June, 1954.

(c) Includes Northern Territory to June, 1954.



## INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK)—STATES.

Period.	Dis- putes.	Workers Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti- mated Loss in Wages. £
		Di- rectly.	Indi- rectly. (a)	Total.	New Dis- putes.	Old Dis- putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.								
Year—1954(b) ..	1,063	217,081	5,205	222,286	495,337	6,236	501,573	1,654,814
1953—Dec. Qtr.	218	64,984	646	65,630	99,515	2,508	102,023	317,459
1954—Mar. „(b)	282	43,202	461	43,663	75,939	6,236	82,175	276,100
June „	260	44,902	545	45,447	62,240	18,175	80,415	270,927
Sept. „	329	89,061	2,732	91,793	169,701	14,220	183,921	591,062
Dec. „	192	39,916	1,467	41,383	150,815	4,247	155,062	516,722
VICTORIA.								
Year—1954 ..	76	42,476	2,337	44,813	135,611	..	135,611	460,213
1953—Dec. Qtr.	17	20,458	11	20,469	13,856	2,233	16,089	54,036
1954—Mar. „	24	19,411	36	19,447	28,262	..	28,262	97,358
June „	17	9,931	605	10,536	26,379	..	26,379	81,823
Sept. „	19	3,618	517	4,135	13,096	2,670	15,766	49,472
Dec. „	16	9,516	1,179	10,695	63,355	1,545	64,900	230,433
QUEENSLAND.								
Year—1954 ..	278	77,006	6,675	83,681	183,855	..	183,855	611,331
1953—Dec. Qtr.	83	21,160	614	21,774	33,657	7,176	40,833	125,171
1954—Mar. „	72	16,033	1,525	17,558	21,290	..	21,290	72,299
June „	59	18,176	2,283	20,459	30,622	30,725	61,347	185,023
Sept. „	78	20,909	1,675	22,584	38,561	..	38,561	131,291
Dec. „	69	21,888	1,192	23,080	62,657	..	62,657	222,718
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1954 ..	23	7,291	45	7,336	31,207	..	31,207	108,100
1953—Dec. Qtr.	5	961	..	961	668	..	668	2,141
1954—Mar. „	1	900	..	900	514	..	514	1,800
June „	9	2,385	25	2,410	2,969	..	2,969	10,400
Sept. „	6	1,349	..	1,349	2,709	395	3,104	10,047
Dec. „	7	2,657	20	2,677	24,620	..	24,620	85,853
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1954 ..	15	5,398	96	5,494	21,651	..	21,651	75,387
1953—Dec. Qtr.	1	87	..	87	47	..	47	150
1954—Mar. „	2	39	..	39	39	..	39	112
June „	1	1,294	..	1,294	1,908	..	1,908	6,681
Sept. „	5	1,757	78	1,835	1,924	..	1,924	6,644
Dec. „	7	2,308	18	2,326	17,780	..	17,780	61,950
TASMANIA.								
Year—1954(b) ..	31	5,951	136	6,087	20,251	5,664	25,915	105,042
1953—Dec. Qtr.	3	450	6	456	9,278	..	9,278	38,505
1954—Mar. „(b)	6	811	6	817	1,530	5,664	7,194	39,275
June „	6	1,522	..	1,522	1,428	..	1,428	4,816
Sept. „	10	1,215	130	1,345	4,700	..	4,700	16,841
Dec. „	9	2,403	..	2,403	12,593	..	12,593	44,110
AUSTRALIA.(c)								
Year—1954(b) ..	1,490	355,580	14,494	370,074	889,739	11,900	901,639	3,021,211
1953—Dec. Qtr.	328	108,220	1,277	109,497	157,111	11,927	169,038	537,780
1954—Mar. „(b)	389	80,534	2,023	82,562	127,949	11,900	139,849	488,189
June „	353	78,330	3,458	81,788	125,723	48,900	174,623	560,289
Sept. „	447	117,909	5,132	123,041	230,691	17,285	247,976	805,357
Dec. „	301	78,807	3,876	82,683	333,095	5,792	338,887	1,166,249

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. (b) Includes disputes not settled at end of 1953. (c) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

## INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK) : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Manu- facturing. (Groups I. to VI.)	Building. (Group VII.)	Mining. (Group VIII.)		Transport, Land and Sea. (Groups IX. to XI.)	Miscel- laneous. (Groups XII. to XIV.)	All Groups
			(I) Coal- mining.	(II) Other Mining.			
NUMBER.							
1939 .. ..	20	3	362	4	6	21	416
1951 .. ..	142	25	912	4	242	19	1,344
1952 .. ..	164	27	1,219	7	202	8	1,627
1953 .. ..	143	41	944	6	311	14	1,459
1954 .. ..	192	47	942	4	290	15	1,490
1953— Dec. Qtr. ..	39	8	181	2	96	2	328
1954— March Qtr. ..	42	19	260	1	64	3	389
June .. ..	47	8	216	..	82	..	353
Sept. .. ..	58	13	279	2	88	7	447
Dec. .. ..	44	7	187	1	57	5	301

WORKERS INVOLVED.							
1939 .. ..	8,818	57	137,792	900	2,017	3,246	152,830
1951 .. ..	71,606	3,667	172,732	2,843	156,608	1,136	408,592
1952 .. ..	157,870	1,862	193,066	4,769	145,033	3,134	505,734
1953 .. ..	155,249	8,417	147,791	3,020	179,786	1,783	496,046
1954 .. ..	57,010	6,925	155,630	494	145,521	4,494	370,074
1953— Dec. Qtr. ..	43,827	853	28,340	2,198	33,297	982	109,497
1954— March Qtr. ..	7,376	1,819	32,851	236	40,178	102	82,562
June .. ..	10,105	903	30,941	..	39,839	..	81,788
Sept. .. ..	26,801	2,496	59,991	138	30,535	3,080	123,041
Dec. .. ..	12,519	1,707	31,847	120	35,178	1,312	82,683

WORKING DAYS LOST.							
1939 .. ..	108,709	563	291,067	3,805	35,016	19,994	459,154
1951 .. ..	307,173	23,750	336,447	36,255	165,437	3,912	872,974
1952 .. ..	572,169	20,079	286,749	19,743	261,109	3,655	1,163,504
1953 .. ..	351,722	67,506	378,715	18,956	222,564	11,367	1,050,830
1954 .. ..	244,770	31,751	255,726	7,720	352,311	9,361	901,639
1953— Dec. Qtr. ..	54,793	4,746	48,201	10,930	43,572	6,796	169,038
1954— March Qtr. ..	23,361	9,428	52,245	5,664	48,859	292	139,349
June .. ..	74,576	4,620	52,778	..	42,649	..	174,623
Sept. .. ..	109,796	11,177	85,579	1,936	32,902	6,586	247,976
Dec. .. ..	35,263	6,526	65,124	120	229,371	2,483	338,887

ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES.  
(£.)

1939 .. ..	83,540	424	335,033	4,728	22,114	9,877	455,716
1951 .. ..	752,319	59,961	863,928	189,200	382,435	8,185	2,256,028
1952 .. ..	1,593,902	56,034	932,480	94,743	752,124	10,567	3,439,850
1953 .. ..	1,023,366	242,500	1,247,895	80,486	703,537	39,653	3,337,437
1954 .. ..	767,051	115,972	862,384	41,265	1,207,932	26,607	3,021,211
1953— Dec. Qtr. ..	146,349	16,667	163,309	49,434	141,646	20,375	537,780
1954— March Qtr. ..	76,843	35,181	177,351	34,000	163,685	1,129	488,189
June .. ..	223,673	18,953	180,520	..	137,143	..	560,289
Sept. .. ..	347,056	36,046	286,979	6,765	109,911	18,600	805,357
Dec. .. ..	113,214	25,792	217,534	500	802,331	6,878	1,166,249

## TRADE UNIONS AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
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## NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.

1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1949	212	150	125	138	152	97	12	21	(a) 349
1950	222	152	128	138	156	98	14	28	(a) 360
1951	225	156	128	137	152	101	17	29	(a) 359
1952	228	159	129	139	151	98	15	31	(a) 360
1953	224	159	129	138	152	98	18	28	(a) 365

## NUMBER OF MEMBERS.

1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470
1949	606,139	382,503	259,339	127,292	97,706	40,700	2,860	4,375	1,520,914
1950	642,145	406,317	262,586	137,504	103,582	45,044	2,438	5,728	1,605,344
1951	678,338	433,407	277,037	140,067	105,507	47,413	2,764	5,788	1,690,271
1952	649,163	416,349	274,908	137,495	105,462	46,948	2,340	4,877	1,637,542
1953	665,737	424,423	285,718	140,154	107,642	48,293	2,535	5,251	1,679,758

(a) Without interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing.

## AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS.

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns (which cover approximately 80 per cent. of total employment) and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. An index of average weekly wage earnings, seasonally adjusted, is published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

Period.	New South Wales. (a)	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia. (b)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID. (£'000.)							
1949-50 ..	9,018	6,370	2,838	1,894	1,315	672	22,107
1950-51 ..	11,385	7,916	3,501	2,389	1,639	817	27,647
1951-52 ..	14,364	9,816	4,319	3,018	2,108	1,059	34,684
1952-53 ..	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	37,163
1953-54 ..	16,043	11,305	5,065	3,561	2,586	1,280	39,840
1953-54—							
December Qtr.	16,753	11,748	5,225	3,640	2,672	1,296	41,334
March ..	15,303	10,796	4,818	3,447	2,467	1,250	38,081
June ..	16,463	11,619	5,245	3,673	2,644	1,356	41,000
1954-55—							
September Qtr.	16,765	11,848	5,344	3,750	2,729	1,277	41,713
December ..	17,918	12,440	5,612	3,862	2,773	1,345	43,950

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT.(c)  
(£.)

1949-50 ..	9.50	9.78	8.34	8.83	8.65	8.49	9.26
1950-51 ..	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.23	9.99	11.09
1951-52 ..	14.24	14.20	11.93	13.13	12.80	12.59	13.65
1952-53 ..	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54 ..	16.15	16.27	14.05	15.30	15.04	14.92	15.69
1953-54—							
December Qtr.	16.87	16.99	14.58	15.81	15.60	15.23	16.33
March ..	15.33	15.44	13.47	14.67	14.29	14.48	14.94
June ..	16.38	16.48	14.33	15.52	15.20	15.51	15.93
1954-55—							
September Qtr.	16.60	16.76	14.41	15.86	15.62	14.91	16.14
December ..	17.53	17.45	15.14	16.26	15.78	15.51	16.86

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE.—As quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences comparisons should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years.

**WAGES—ADULT MALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES  
PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st Dec., 1954.(a)**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c...	Weekly Wage	285/10	281/2	272/3	276/0	285/5	286/6	281/11
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	7/1½	7/0½	6/9½	6/10½	7/1½	7/2	7/0½
II. Engineering Works, &c. Metal	Weekly Wage	287/7	280/8	276/7	278/9	297/9	297/2	284/0
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	7/2½	7/0½	6/11	6/11½	7/5½	7/5½	7/1½
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	283/6	285/11	265/3	281/4	283/0	293/4	280/9
	Working Hours	40 00	39 93	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	39 98
	Hourly Wage	7/1	7/2	6/7½	7/0½	7/1	7/4	7/0½
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c...	Weekly Wage	276/6	278/3	284/4	284/4	287/7	275/7	278/10
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	6/11	6/11½	7/1½	7/1½	7/2½	6/10½	6/11½
V. Books, Printing, &c. ...	Weekly Wage	329/4	326/4	307/10	318/9	324/3	335/10	324/11
	Working Hours	40 00	39 51	40 00	40 00	37 69	40 00	39 72
	Hourly Wage	8/2½	8/2	7/8½	7/11	8/7½	8/4½	8/2½
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	Weekly Wage	285/10	276/9	260/9	278/2	281/10	287/7	279/7
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	7/1½	6/11	6/6½	6/11½	7/0½	7/2½	6/11½
VII. Building ..	Weekly Wage	313/0	307/7	299/9	298/0	302/7	304/6	307/6
	Working Hours	39 94	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	39 98
	Hourly Wage	7/10	7/8½	7/6	7/5½	7/6½	7/7½	7/8½
VIII. Mining (c) ..	Weekly Wage	290/2	281/10	273/2	272/1	307/3	286/11	288/0
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	38 15	40 00	39 69
	Hourly Wage	7/3	7/0½	6/10	6/9½	8/0½	7/2	7/3
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	301/6	289/2	269/3	283/3	280/0	299/9	289/9
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	7/6½	7/2½	6/8½	7/1	7/0	7/6	7/3
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	280/4	270/10	255/1	266/5	279/8	283/6	273/3
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	7/0	6/9½	6/4½	6/8	7/0	7/1	6/10
XI. Shipping, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	307/2	311/9	307/8	309/4	309/8	310/9	308/9
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage	339/11	301/5	308/1	303/7	315/4	333/2	319/7
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c...	Weekly Wage	271/4	262/5	245/8	250/3	264/0	262/5	263/0
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	6/9½	6/6½	6/1½	6/3	6/7½	6/6½	6/7
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	278/2	268/7	256/11	260/8	273/1	271/2	270/5
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	6/11½	6/8½	6/5	6/6½	6/10	6/9½	6/9
All Groups (b) ..	Weekly Wage	298/4	284/3	278/7	282/2	293/3	299/2	290/0
All Groups except XI. and XII.(b)	Weekly Wage	287/3	279/9	267/10	274/0	287/10	284/5	281/4
	Working Hours	39 99	39 98	40 00	40 00	39 51	40 00	39 95
	Hourly Wage	7/2½	7/0	6/8½	6/10½	7/3½	7/1½	7/0½

(a) The figures of nominal wages and hours of labour are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms. (b) Weighted average. (c) Average rates of wages and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. (d) Average rates of wages are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied. (e) Definite particulars for the computation of average working hours and hourly rates of wages are not available. (f) Includes the value of keep, where supplied.



**WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 31st DECEMBER, 1954.(a)**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	193/6	192/4	171/9	199/3	171/10	198/3	191/2
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	4/10	4/9½	4/3½	4/11½	4/3½	4/11½	4/9½
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c.	Weekly Wage	194/9	195/11	199/8	199/8	201/0	198/3	196/6
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	4/10½	4/10½	5/0	5/0	5/0½	4/11½	4/11
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	207/2	198/5	188/11	208/0	..	201/6	201/8
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	5/2½	4/11½	4/8½	5/2½	..	5/0½	5/0½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c...	Weekly Wage	191/4	197/6	169/9	196/10	180/5	191/5	188/10
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	4/9½	4/11½	4/3	4/11	4/6½	4/9½	4/8½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	210/3	217/5	197/0	198/9	..	..	209/11
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	..	..	40 00
	Hourly Wage	5/3	5/5½	4/11	4/11½	..	..	5/3
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	198/9	200/2	190/0	199/5	190/5	196/7	197/11
	Working Hours	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	40 00
	Hourly Wage	4/11½	5/0	4/9	4/11½	4/9	4/11	4/11½

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average.

**WAGES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK, AND WAGE INDEX NUMBERS.(a)**

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'd.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
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**ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 ..	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
" " 1939 ..	96 7	93 6	97 5	88 11	100 6	89 5	95 3
" " 1950 ..	209 6	204 5	199 10	200 6	208 3	199 7	205 6
" " 1951 ..	255 0	245 5	240 10	241 8	251 4	247 3	248 7
" " 1952 ..	284 8	274 5	267 9	274 6	284 7	276 2	278 2
" " 1953 ..	296 8	282 6	273 10	278 9	292 5	296 11	287 7
" " 1954 ..	298 4	284 3	278 7	282 2	293 3	299 2	290 0

**ADULT MALES—INDEX NUMBERS.—(BASE: 51s. 3d. (b) in 1911 = 1,000.)**

	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
31st December, 1914 ..	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1939 ..	1,855	1,825	1,900	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1950 ..	4,088	3,989	3,900	3,911	4,064	3,895	4,009
" " 1951 ..	4,975	4,789	4,699	4,715	4,904	4,825	4,850
" " 1952 ..	5,555	5,354	5,224	5,356	5,553	5,388	5,428
" " 1953 ..	5,788	5,513	5,342	5,439	5,705	5,794	5,611
" " 1954 ..	5,820	5,547	5,435	5,506	5,722	5,837	5,658

**ADULT FEMALES: RATES OF WAGE.**

	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
31st December, 1914 ..	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
" " 1939 ..	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1950 ..	139 11	142 11	135 11	142 1	132 3	137 2	140 5
" " 1951 ..	171 1	172 10	161 7	171 4	163 2	168 7	170 4
" " 1952 ..	193 11	196 2	184 4	195 8	186 0	191 2	193 5
" " 1953 ..	198 5	200 10	188 7	199 6	190 5	196 4	197 11
" " 1954 ..	198 9	200 2	190 0	199 5	190 5	196 7	197 11

**ADULT FEMALES—INDEX NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (b) in April, 1914 = 1,000)**

	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
31st December, 1914 ..	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1939 ..	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1950 ..	5,150	5,259	5,003	5,229	4,866	5,050	5,169
" " 1951 ..	6,296	6,362	5,948	6,305	6,007	6,204	6,268
" " 1952 ..	7,138	7,220	6,784	7,202	6,846	7,037	7,120
" " 1953 ..	7,302	7,392	6,940	7,342	7,007	7,226	7,285
" " 1954 ..	7,314	7,367	6,994	7,339	7,007	7,236	7,285

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average.

**BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES FOR ADULT MALES UNDER AWARDS OF  
COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION. (a)**

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
September, 1939 ..	81 0	81 0	76 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	79 0
November, 1945 ..	99 0	98 0	93 0	93 0	94 0	94 0	96 0
December, 1946 ..	108 0	106 0	101 0	102 0	102 0	103 0	105 0
November, 1947 ..	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
„ 1948 ..	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
„ 1949 ..	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	129 0	128 0	129 0
„ 1950 ..	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	139 0	139 0	142 0
December, 1950 ..	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	160 0	160 0	162 0
November, 1951 ..	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0
May, 1952 ..	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August, 1952 ..	235 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November, 1952 ..	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
February, 1953 ..	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May, 1953 ..	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	239 0	234 0
August, 1953(b)	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0

(a) Rates operative from beginning of first pay period commencing in months shown. (b) By decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on 12th September, 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards.

NOTE.—Since December, 1950, the female basic wage has been 75 per cent. of corresponding male rate; previously it had ranged between 54 per cent. and 75 per cent.

**STATE BASIC WAGES—WEEKLY RATES.**

State.	November, 1954.			February, 1955.		
	Date of Operation.	Males.	Females.	Date of Operation.	Males.	Females.
	(a)	s. d.	s. d.	(a)	s. d.	s. d.
New South Wales(b)—						
Metropolitan and Country, excluding Broken Hill ..	Aug., 1953	243 0	182 0	Aug., 1953	243 0	182 0
Broken Hill ..	Aug., 1953	247 0	185 0	Aug., 1953	247 0	185 0
Victoria(c) ..	Nov., 1954	234 0	175 6	Feb., 1955	235 0	176 0
Queensland(d)—						
Southern Division (Eastern District), including Bris- bane ..	1.2.54	225 0	151 0	1.2.54	225 0	151 0
Southern Division (Western District) ..	1.2.54	232 4	154 8	1.2.54	232 4	154 8
Mackay Division ..	1.2.54	230 6	153 9	1.2.54	230 6	153 9
Northern Division (Eastern District) ..	1.2.54	235 0	156 0	1.2.54	235 0	156 0
Northern Division (Western District) ..	1.2.54	242 4	159 8	1.2.54	242 4	159 8
South Australia(e) ..	Aug., 1953	231 0	173 0	Aug., 1953	231 0	173 0
Western Australia(f)—						
Metropolitan Area ..	27.7.53	246 6	160 3	27.7.53	246 6	160 3
South-West Land Division ..	27.7.53	246 0	159 11	27.7.53	246 0	159 11
Goldfield and other areas ..	27.7.53	249 4	162 1	27.7.53	249 4	162 1
Tasmania(g) ..	Aug., 1953	242 0	181 6	Aug., 1953	242 0	181 6

(a) Where dates are not quoted wage rates operate from beginning of first pay-period in month shown.

(b) Automatic adjustment discontinued from 23rd October, 1953, following decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration (see note (b) to previous table).

(c) No basic wage declared but rates shown (Melbourne) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. The Labour and Industry Act requires Wages Boards to provide for the automatic adjustment of wage rates in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers.

(d) Between February, 1954 and February, 1955, the Queensland Industrial Court declined to make any alteration in the basic wage consequent on quarterly movements in the "C" Series retail price index numbers.

(e) The "living wage" declared for the metropolitan area is also adopted in country areas except at Whyalla where a loading of 5s. is generally payable. The "living wage" is subject to quarterly variation according to the amount of the general automatic quarterly adjustment in the Commonwealth basic wage (now discontinued) for Adelaide.

(f) The West Australian Court of Arbitration from July, 1953 to February, 1955, declined to adjust the basic wage in accordance with movements in the cost-of-living statements supplied by the Government Statistician.

(g) None declared but rates shown (Hobart) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards.

## Section XI.—Prices.

## THE INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

For a description of the structure and scope of the Interim Index and a comparison with that of the "C" Series, see Statistical Bulletin—*The Interim Retail Price Index (1952-53 Base Year)*, issued 24th March, 1954.

## INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

(Base of each Index : Year 1952-53=100.)

NOTE.—The index numbers hereunder are designed to measure aggregate variations in retail prices of specified groups of items for specified cities individually. They measure variations from time to time and not differences in price level as between cities nor comparative costs of groups of items.

City.	Year ended June, 1951.	Year ended June, 1952.	Year ended June, 1953.	Year ended June, 1954.	1953.		1954.			
					Sept., Qtr.	Dec., Qtr.	Mar., Qtr.	June, Qtr.	Sept., Qtr.	Dec., Qtr.
GROUP I.—FOOD.										
Sydney ..	66.1	89.9	100.0	102.4	102.8	101.9	102.9	101.8	101.6	102.8
Melbourne ..	69.2	89.1	100.0	104.6	105.1	104.7	104.4	104.3	102.7	103.4
Brisbane ..	69.2	90.1	100.0	104.1	102.8	104.0	105.5	104.0	102.3	103.3
Adelaide ..	69.2	90.5	100.0	103.5	103.4	103.1	103.4	104.2	105.1	104.9
Perth ..	69.3	87.0	100.0	106.3	105.1	103.8	106.8	109.4	109.6	108.0
Hobart ..	66.4	86.8	100.0	107.7	108.4	109.0	106.6	106.6	106.1	105.0
Six Capitals(a)	67.9	89.4	100.0	103.7	103.9	103.4	104.0	103.7	103.0	103.7
GROUP II.—CLOTHING AND DRAPERY.										
Sydney ..	78.6	93.6	100.0	101.7	101.6	101.6	101.9	101.8	101.8	102.6
Melbourne ..	77.6	93.4	100.0	101.3	101.2	101.3	101.5	101.1	101.2	101.9
Brisbane ..	78.7	94.6	100.0	101.7	101.3	101.7	101.8	101.9	102.0	102.8
Adelaide ..	77.0	93.9	100.0	102.2	102.1	102.4	102.3	101.8	101.9	112.7
Perth ..	78.8	95.5	100.0	100.9	100.6	101.0	101.0	100.6	100.7	101.5
Hobart ..	78.9	94.7	100.0	102.6	102.3	102.8	102.8	102.6	102.6	103.0
Six Capitals(a)	78.1	93.8	100.0	101.6	101.5	101.6	101.8	101.5	101.6	102.3
GROUP III.—RENT(b) (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.)										
Sydney ..	86.6	87.7	100.0	107.7	106.2	107.2	108.7	108.8	109.3	109.5
Melbourne ..	99.4	99.6	100.0	100.8	100.4	100.6	101.0	101.3	101.5	101.8
Brisbane ..	93.7	97.7	100.0	102.9	101.8	102.5	103.6	103.7	104.4	105.1
Adelaide ..	82.8	86.0	100.0	102.7	102.1	102.4	102.9	103.3	103.8	104.5
Perth ..	82.1	94.4	100.0	110.8	101.6	101.9	103.1	136.7	147.3	148.3
Hobart ..	85.1	91.4	100.0	108.8	107.5	108.8	109.3	109.4	109.4	109.5
Six Capitals(a)	90.3	92.6	100.0	105.0	103.3	103.9	104.9	107.7	108.9	109.3
GROUP IV.—OTHER ITEMS.(c)										
Sydney ..	78.3	93.6	100.0	100.5	100.5	99.9	100.8	100.7	101.0	101.0
Melbourne ..	73.5	88.7	100.0	100.9	101.3	100.4	101.2	100.9	101.1	100.9
Brisbane ..	78.5	92.7	100.0	103.0	101.5	103.6	103.5	103.5	104.0	104.3
Adelaide ..	76.9	90.2	100.0	99.3	100.2	98.8	99.4	98.7	99.1	99.3
Perth ..	74.6	89.6	100.0	100.8	101.3	101.1	100.4	100.5	101.2	101.4
Hobart ..	72.7	89.0	100.0	108.2	109.3	109.2	109.8	104.6	101.9	105.0
Six Capitals(a)	76.3	91.3	100.0	100.9	101.0	100.5	101.2	100.9	101.2	101.2
ALL GROUPS.										
Sydney ..	74.6	91.7	100.0	102.2	102.2	101.8	102.6	102.2	102.2	102.9
Melbourne ..	75.2	91.0	100.0	102.4	102.6	102.2	102.4	102.3	101.8	102.2
Brisbane ..	76.4	92.7	100.0	103.0	102.0	103.1	103.8	103.3	102.8	103.6
Adelaide ..	74.7	90.9	100.0	102.0	102.1	101.7	102.0	102.0	102.5	102.8
Perth ..	74.5	90.7	100.0	103.9	102.7	102.2	103.3	107.6	109.0	108.7
Hobart ..	73.1	89.9	100.0	106.6	106.9	107.4	106.7	105.3	105.1	104.9
Six Capitals(a)	74.9	91.4	100.0	102.5	102.4	102.2	102.7	102.7	102.7	103.2

(a) Weighted Average. (b) See note (b) on page 101. (c) A group of items under the following headings—Electricity, Gas, and Firewood; Household Sundries; Services; Cinema Admission, Radio Licence, and Newspapers; Fares; and Tobacco and Cigarettes.

## THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

NOTE.—The retail price index numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capital Cities are made equal to 1,000.

## "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—CAPITAL CITIES.

(Base of each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, food and groceries, &c., since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.		1938.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1953.		1954.				
								Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.		
GROUP I. FOOD AND GROCERIES.														
Sydney	..	904	1,572	2,099	2,654	2,711	2,721	2,751	2,738	2,703	2,701	2,741		
Melbourne	..	884	1,605	2,088	2,509	2,684	2,687	2,757	2,715	2,710	2,652	2,671		
Brisbane	..	838	1,462	1,823	2,328	2,413	2,451	2,488	2,504	2,440	2,404	2,456		
Adelaide	..	861	1,494	1,931	2,380	2,444	2,525	2,514	2,478	2,499	2,562	2,560		
Perth	..	899	1,597	1,963	2,359	2,608	2,802	2,656	2,731	2,832	2,848	2,798		
Hobart	..	880	1,574	1,992	2,487	2,803	2,797	2,981	2,837	2,799	2,781	2,770		
Six Capitals (a)	..	886	1,566	2,041	2,526	2,641	2,671	2,702	2,683	2,670	2,654	2,677		
GROUP II.—RENT (b)—4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.														
Sydney	..	1,004	1,050	1,053	1,118	1,276	1,324	1,299	1,318	1,320	1,326	1,330		
Melbourne	..	935	979	980	984	988	998	990	995	997	999	1,002		
Brisbane	..	841	883	934	958	981	1,010	993	1,004	1,005	1,012	1,019		
Adelaide	..	868	929	949	1,055	1,155	1,174	1,160	1,166	1,170	1,176	1,184		
Perth	..	872	901	1,065	1,185	1,205	1,602	1,215	1,230	1,632	1,768	1,779		
Hobart	..	913	941	1,048	1,079	1,249	1,271	1,265	1,271	1,271	1,271	1,272		
Six Capitals (a)	..	942	987	1,009	1,057	1,138	1,192	1,151	1,162	1,191	1,205	1,209		
GROUP III.—CLOTHING.														
Sydney	..	833	2,329	2,806	3,116	3,273	3,263	3,263	3,280	3,257	3,250	3,266		
Melbourne	..	820	2,259	2,697	3,085	3,201	3,196	3,191	3,204	3,189	3,196	3,194		
Brisbane	..	823	2,226	2,690	3,016	3,103	3,120	3,110	3,117	3,117	3,109	3,135		
Adelaide	..	857	2,256	2,736	3,108	3,235	3,218	3,235	3,222	3,212	3,209	3,227		
Perth	..	823	2,289	2,759	3,123	3,185	3,188	3,181	3,187	3,179	3,180	3,204		
Hobart	..	848	2,286	2,752	3,089	3,212	3,238	3,247	3,250	3,239	3,229	3,235		
Six Capitals (a)	..	829	2,286	2,749	3,096	3,223	3,218	3,217	3,228	3,212	3,210	3,222		
GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.														
Sydney	..	936	1,470	1,711	1,980	2,041	2,048	2,040	2,051	2,045	2,047	2,048		
Melbourne	..	982	1,426	1,668	1,949	2,090	2,090	2,093	2,101	2,094	2,081	2,082		
Brisbane	..	947	1,363	1,603	1,841	1,928	1,987	1,980	1,988	1,982	1,983	1,995		
Adelaide	..	1,023	1,470	1,710	2,025	2,098	2,103	2,096	2,107	2,102	2,102	2,102		
Perth	..	949	1,357	1,624	1,945	2,039	2,049	2,042	2,053	2,047	2,046	2,048		
Hobart	..	933	1,293	1,600	1,920	2,137	2,125	2,188	2,200	2,097	2,101	2,101		
Six Capitals (a)	..	961	1,435	1,679	1,958	2,053	2,062	2,060	2,070	2,061	2,058	2,060		
TOTAL ALL GROUPS.														
Sydney	..	913	1,593	1,933	2,265	2,368	2,382	2,385	2,391	2,373	2,372	2,391		
Melbourne	..	896	1,565	1,880	2,170	2,285	2,288	2,310	2,301	2,295	2,273	2,281		
Brisbane	..	852	1,472	1,760	2,063	2,135	2,170	2,176	2,187	2,163	2,150	2,178		
Adelaide	..	888	1,521	1,833	2,159	2,246	2,277	2,272	2,260	2,265	2,259	2,294		
Perth	..	883	1,538	1,860	2,170	2,295	2,459	2,314	2,348	2,475	2,512	2,502		
Hobart	..	887	1,526	1,861	2,180	2,399	2,406	2,485	2,437	2,402	2,304	2,391		
Six Capitals (a)	..	897	1,560	1,883	2,196	2,302	2,326	2,327	2,327	2,324	2,321	2,333		



## "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1939.	1953.			1954.				Percentage increase from August 1939, to Dec. 1954.	
	August.	Month.			Dec. Qtr.	Month.				Dec. Qtr.
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>										
Sydney .. ..	926	2,800	2,767	2,685	2,751	2,695	2,768	2,761	2,741	198.2
Newcastle .. ..	960	2,840	2,836	2,759	2,812	2,771	2,888	2,839	2,833	195.7
Broken Hill .. ..	1,069	3,064	3,060	3,014	3,046	2,947	2,971	3,010	2,976	181.6
Goulburn .. ..	991	2,842	2,854	2,774	2,823	2,810	2,881	2,889	2,860	191.5
Bathurst .. ..	939	2,955	2,961	2,885	2,934	2,829	2,902	2,914	2,882	210.3
<b>FIVE TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>2,810</b>	<b>2,780</b>	<b>2,699</b>	<b>2,763</b>	<b>2,708</b>	<b>2,783</b>	<b>2,774</b>	<b>2,755</b>	<b>197.6</b>
<b>VICTORIA—</b>										
Melbourne .. ..	931	2,782	2,778	2,712	2,757	2,636	2,672	2,704	2,671	190.4
Ballarat .. ..	939	2,885	2,859	2,795	2,836	2,681	2,712	2,719	2,704	189.6
Bendigo .. ..	915	2,770	2,770	2,708	2,749	2,633	2,664	2,711	2,669	196.3
Geelong .. ..	942	2,786	2,765	2,708	2,753	2,669	2,695	2,690	2,685	185.6
Warrnambool .. ..	952	2,876	2,879	2,815	2,857	2,774	2,799	2,817	2,797	195.9
<b>FIVE TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>2,785</b>	<b>2,781</b>	<b>2,715</b>	<b>2,760</b>	<b>2,640</b>	<b>2,675</b>	<b>2,705</b>	<b>2,673</b>	<b>190.2</b>
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>										
Brisbane .. ..	855	2,548	2,476	2,441	2,488	2,493	2,435	2,440	2,456	185.4
Toowoomba .. ..	812	2,516	2,513	2,459	2,496	2,437	2,500	2,502	2,480	208.1
Rockhampton .. ..	893	2,582	2,562	2,496	2,547	2,465	2,518	2,511	2,498	181.2
Townsville .. ..	948	2,624	2,694	2,661	2,660	2,569	2,604	2,647	2,607	179.2
Bundaberg .. ..	906	2,530	2,533	2,501	2,521	2,485	2,552	2,554	2,530	181.9
<b>FIVE TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>2,553</b>	<b>2,501</b>	<b>2,463</b>	<b>2,506</b>	<b>2,492</b>	<b>2,460</b>	<b>2,467</b>	<b>2,473</b>	<b>186.2</b>
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>										
Adelaide .. ..	882	2,544	2,511	2,486	2,514	2,534	2,567	2,578	2,560	192.3
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo .. ..	980	2,576	2,581	2,554	2,570	2,582	2,614	2,651	2,616	170.5
Port Pirie .. ..	1,001	2,596	2,596	2,588	2,593	2,631	2,667	2,694	2,664	169.1
Mount Gambier .. ..	930	2,626	2,639	2,599	2,621	2,594	2,590	2,600	2,595	180.0
Peterborough .. ..	933	2,576	2,555	2,536	2,556	2,583	2,582	2,620	2,595	166.5
<b>FIVE TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>2,548</b>	<b>2,519</b>	<b>2,494</b>	<b>2,520</b>	<b>2,540</b>	<b>2,573</b>	<b>2,585</b>	<b>2,566</b>	<b>190.1</b>
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>										
Perth and Fremantle .. ..	947	2,652	2,647	2,669	2,656	2,799	2,791	2,803	2,798	196.0
Kalgoorlie and Boulder .. ..	1,102	2,762	2,770	2,799	2,777	2,935	2,960	2,965	2,953	169.1
Northern .. ..	981	2,668	2,672	2,698	2,679	2,847	2,865	2,863	2,858	191.8
Bunbury .. ..	975	2,705	2,702	2,718	2,708	2,869	2,845	2,844	2,853	191.7
Geraldton .. ..	958	2,751	2,766	2,787	2,768	2,885	2,891	2,885	2,887	201.1
<b>FIVE TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>2,663</b>	<b>2,660</b>	<b>2,682</b>	<b>2,668</b>	<b>2,813</b>	<b>2,808</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>2,813</b>	<b>193.6</b>
<b>TASMANIA—</b>										
Hobart .. ..	914	2,942	3,092	2,910	2,981	2,731	2,751	2,828	2,770	209.4
Launceston .. ..	905	2,933	2,983	2,870	2,929	2,688	2,691	2,725	2,701	201.1
Burnie .. ..	942	2,878	2,927	2,853	2,886	2,693	2,704	2,743	2,713	191.2
Devonport .. ..	930	2,894	2,994	2,858	2,915	2,677	2,699	2,738	2,705	194.4
Queenstown .. ..	1,018	3,089	3,142	3,015	3,082	2,873	2,889	2,927	2,896	187.5
<b>FIVE TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>917</b>	<b>2,940</b>	<b>3,050</b>	<b>2,897</b>	<b>2,962</b>	<b>2,719</b>	<b>2,733</b>	<b>2,792</b>	<b>2,748</b>	<b>204.5</b>
<b>THIRTY TOWNS (a) ..</b>	<b>922</b>	<b>2,743</b>	<b>2,724</b>	<b>2,663</b>	<b>2,710</b>	<b>2,654</b>	<b>2,694</b>	<b>2,704</b>	<b>2,684</b>	<b>193.3</b>
<b>SIX CAPITALS (a) ..</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>2,737</b>	<b>2,715</b>	<b>2,653</b>	<b>2,702</b>	<b>2,648</b>	<b>2,686</b>	<b>2,697</b>	<b>2,677</b>	<b>193.8</b>
Lithgow (N.S.W.) (b) ..	948	2,925	2,971	2,888	2,928	2,820	2,917	2,932	2,890	209.3
Warwick (Q.) (b) ..	851	2,563	2,518	2,487	2,523	2,503	2,553	2,552	2,536	199.9
Port Augusta (S.A.) (b) ..	994	2,600	2,605	2,574	2,593	2,619	2,618	2,671	2,636	168.7
Whyalla (S.A.) (b) ..	(c)	2,690	2,683	2,645	2,673	2,702	2,680	2,737	2,706	(c)
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) ..	1,046	2,956	3,007	2,900	2,954	2,894	2,983	2,974	2,950	184.3

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Not included in weighted averages above.

(c) Not available.

## THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

Retail Price Index Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 Roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	1953.		1954.			
							Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES—</b>												
Sydney .. ..	913	1,593	1,933	2,265	2,368	2,382	2,385	2,391	2,373	2,372	2,391	
Newcastle .. ..	877	1,543	1,901	2,209	2,295	2,324	2,323	2,327	2,319	2,311	2,340	
Broken Hill .. ..	940	1,602	1,997	2,344	2,411	2,421	2,434	2,432	2,425	2,410	2,415	
Goulburn .. ..	893	1,578	1,921	2,232	2,302	2,327	2,328	2,318	2,329	2,318	2,343	
Bathurst .. ..	860	1,552	1,882	2,219	2,364	2,382	2,401	2,393	2,383	2,366	2,385	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	911	1,591	1,931	2,262	2,362	2,378	2,381	2,386	2,369	2,368	2,387	
<b>VICTORIA—</b>												
Melbourne .. ..	896	1,565	1,880	2,170	2,285	2,288	2,310	2,301	2,295	2,273	2,281	
Ballarat .. ..	850	1,509	1,857	2,147	2,265	2,272	2,310	2,288	2,283	2,257	2,258	
Bendigo .. ..	854	1,520	1,826	2,139	2,261	2,266	2,289	2,278	2,271	2,254	2,261	
Geelong .. ..	884	1,549	1,871	2,154	2,263	2,268	2,290	2,278	2,272	2,257	2,265	
Warrnambool .. ..	892	1,558	1,886	2,205	2,323	2,345	2,352	2,356	2,350	2,332	2,340	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	893	1,561	1,877	2,168	2,283	2,286	2,309	2,299	2,293	2,272	2,279	
<b>QUEENSLAND—</b>												
Brisbane .. ..	852	1,472	1,760	2,063	2,135	2,170	2,176	2,187	2,163	2,150	2,178	
Toowoomba .. ..	843	1,486	1,773	2,083	2,160	2,191	2,193	2,204	2,197	2,173	2,191	
Rockhampton .. ..	853	1,491	1,785	2,091	2,166	2,206	2,202	2,221	2,215	2,191	2,198	
Townsville .. ..	902	1,525	1,818	2,148	2,243	2,284	2,277	2,304	2,288	2,270	2,275	
Bundaberg .. ..	831	1,464	1,754	2,056	2,118	2,157	2,137	2,158	2,163	2,144	2,161	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	854	1,478	1,767	2,072	2,145	2,181	2,184	2,197	2,177	2,162	2,186	
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA—</b>												
Adelaide .. ..	888	1,521	1,833	2,159	2,246	2,277	2,272	2,260	2,265	2,289	2,294	
Kadina, &c. .. ..	786	1,423	1,742	2,077	2,162	2,201	2,196	2,193	2,190	2,208	2,212	
Port Pirie .. ..	868	1,500	1,811	2,135	2,210	2,251	2,238	2,236	2,237	2,263	2,267	
Mount Gambler .. ..	849	1,499	1,863	2,145	2,226	2,267	2,268	2,266	2,269	2,265	2,267	
Peterborough .. ..	868	1,496	1,808	2,129	2,199	2,255	2,231	2,230	2,260	2,254	2,277	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	883	1,516	1,829	2,155	2,241	2,274	2,268	2,257	2,262	2,285	2,290	
<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA—</b>												
Perth, &c. .. ..	882	1,538	1,860	2,170	2,295	2,459	2,314	2,348	2,475	2,512	2,502	
Kalgoorlie, &c. .. ..	1,048	1,636	1,940	2,262	2,361	2,426	2,374	2,407	2,418	2,435	2,442	
Northam .. ..	900	1,550	1,870	2,186	2,315	2,417	2,336	2,360	2,395	2,441	2,470	
Bunbury .. ..	914	1,559	1,870	2,195	2,314	2,447	2,344	2,376	2,403	2,498	2,512	
Geraldton .. ..	957	1,611	1,956	2,293	2,421	2,577	2,449	2,473	2,550	2,648	2,638	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	897	1,547	1,868	2,180	2,303	2,458	2,323	2,356	2,469	2,507	2,500	
<b>TASMANIA—</b>												
Hobart .. ..	887	1,526	1,861	2,180	2,399	2,406	2,485	2,437	2,402	2,394	2,391	
Launceston .. ..	872	1,493	1,857	2,154	2,359	2,364	2,445	2,386	2,359	2,360	2,349	
Burnie .. ..	865	1,484	1,810	2,120	2,309	2,316	2,380	2,349	2,311	2,306	2,297	
Devonport .. ..	848	1,481	1,793	2,093	2,285	2,295	2,372	2,332	2,285	2,286	2,275	
Queenstown .. ..	875	1,494	1,808	2,119	2,308	2,321	2,396	2,343	2,311	2,316	2,313	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	879	1,511	1,852	2,163	2,375	2,381	2,460	2,409	2,376	2,372	2,367	
THIRTY TOWNS (a) ..	894	1,556	1,880	2,193	2,299	2,323	2,325	2,325	2,321	2,317	2,329	
SIX CAPITALS (a) ..	897	1,560	1,883	2,196	2,302	2,326	2,327	2,327	2,324	2,321	2,333	
Warwick (Q.) (b) ..	800	1,461	1,751	2,063	2,140	2,178	2,168	2,180	2,180	2,168	2,183	
Port Augusta (S.A.) (b) ..	863	1,512	1,823	2,141	2,204	2,235	2,232	2,222	2,222	2,248	2,248	
Whyalla (S.A.) (b) ..	(c)	1,515	1,848	2,166	2,274	2,313	2,313	2,306	2,298	2,327	2,322	
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) ..	966	1,600	1,931	2,247	2,328	2,353	2,378	2,346	2,344	2,337	2,386	

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Not included in weighted averages above.

(c) Not available.

## THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

The "C" Series Retail Price Index and its Group Index Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined.

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	Total "C" Series Index.
Year—					
1914(c) .. ..	641	649	754	749	687
1919(c) .. ..	1,026	768	1,238	1,036	1,022
1924 .. ..	969	988	1,003	1,004	987
1925 .. ..	998	1,008	991	992	997
1926 .. ..	1,023	1,026	986	998	1,011
1927 .. ..	1,000	1,030	975	1,008	1,002
1928 .. ..	985	1,066	997	1,010	1,009
1929 .. ..	1,044	1,073	996	1,007	1,033
1930 .. ..	941	1,047	951	999	975
1931 .. ..	826	901	853	973	873
1932 .. ..	796	817	804	958	830
1933 .. ..	751	804	787	950	804
1934 .. ..	783	810	785	944	817
1935 .. ..	806	839	783	946	832
1936 .. ..	825	879	792	947	850
1937 .. ..	851	912	811	960	873
1938 .. ..	886	942	829	961	897
1939 .. ..	927	965	841	962	920
1940 .. ..	939	973	956	998	957
1941 .. ..	947	976	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942 .. ..	1,031	976	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943 .. ..	1,037	975	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944 .. ..	1,026	976	1,435	1,165	1,126
1945 .. ..	1,034	975	1,425	1,161	1,126
1946 .. ..	1,036	976	1,505	1,167	1,145
1947 .. ..	1,100	977	1,566	1,199	1,188
1948 .. ..	1,256	979	1,744	1,257	1,295
1949 .. ..	1,394	982	1,997	1,338	1,415
1950 .. ..	1,566	987	2,286	1,435	1,560
1951 .. ..	2,041	1,009	2,749	1,679	1,883
1952 .. ..	2,526	1,057	3,096	1,958	2,196
1953 .. ..	2,641	1,138	3,223	2,053	2,302
1954 .. ..	2,671	1,192	3,218	2,062	2,326
Quarter—					
1953—December .. ..	2,702	1,151	3,217	2,060	2,327
1954—March .. ..	2,683	1,162	3,228	2,070	2,327
June .. ..	2,70	1,191	3,212	2,061	2,324
September .. ..	2,654	1,205	3,210	2,058	2,321
December .. ..	2,677	1,209	3,222	2,060	2,333

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000.

(b) Rent.—The rent index numbers shown in the table above and elsewhere in this publication measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account.

(c) November.

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES (a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED :  
QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

Item.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 13.30	d. 13.30	d. 13.30	d. 13.50	d. 13.50	d. 13.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 15.50	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.10	12.10	12.10	11.80	11.50	11.50
" self-raising ..	"	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.86	19.86	19.86	18.90	18.90	18.90	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.50	20.50	20.50
Tea ..	1b.	68.60	88.85	89.00	70.00	90.00	90.00	72.00	88.00	92.00	70.50	90.50	90.50	70.00	90.00	90.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.75	9.75	9.75
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.50	12.50	12.50
Sago ..	"	12.60	12.15	12.15	13.60	13.50	13.50	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.50	14.50	14.50	13.50	13.70	13.70
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.79	29.79	29.79	29.10	29.10	29.10	30.70	30.70	30.60	29.20	29.20	29.20
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	18.45	18.45	18.45	20.50	20.50	20.50	22.20	22.20	21.30	21.50	21.50	21.50	20.50	20.50	20.50
Oats, flaked ..	1b.	8.56	8.56	8.56	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.16	10.16	10.16	9.83	9.83	9.83	9.31	9.31	9.31
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.70	32.40	31.85	30.50	30.50	30.50	31.83	31.83	31.83	34.00	33.10	33.10	32.00	32.00	32.00
Currants ..	"	24.21	24.21	24.21	23.80	23.80	23.83	22.63	22.63	22.63	25.25	24.25	25.75	24.10	24.10	24.13
Apricots, dried ..	"	64.17	63.00	64.20	59.13	59.13	59.13	56.50	56.50	55.40	63.25	63.25	63.25	61.88	61.88	61.88
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	38.45	38.45	39.00	39.21	39.21	39.21	38.90	38.90	38.90	39.50	39.10	39.10	39.90	39.90	39.90
Pears, canned ..	"	41.15	41.15	41.70	41.71	41.71	41.71	39.90	39.90	39.90	42.80	42.40	42.40	42.60	42.60	42.60
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	27.68	31.23	29.21	27.58	46.67	32.42	20.80	22.00	31.90	21.80	25.10	27.60	25.20	32.20	35.70
Onions, brown ..	1b.	7.00	9.00	8.50	7.17	8.75	8.30	8.75	8.63	9.38	9.33	9.33	9.33	9.63	9.75	9.75
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.23	18.25	18.25	19.40	19.80	19.80	19.67	19.67	19.67	19.40	19.40	19.40
Kerosene ..	quart	8.33	8.34	8.34	8.10	8.10	8.10	9.75	9.75	9.78	9.48	9.48	9.48	9.75	9.75	9.75
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	1b.	49.30	49.30	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	52.50	52.50	52.50	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.56	33.56	33.56	33.63	33.63	33.63	36.00	36.00	36.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	34.50	34.50	34.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	51.50	48.30	48.30	60.60	60.60	60.60	58.50	58.80	58.80
Bacon, rashers ..	1b.	68.78	68.82	67.94	65.00	65.60	65.60	70.60	70.00	70.00	69.00	69.40	68.90	64.25	65.88	65.88
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	25.40	25.40	25.40	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50
" fresh ..	quart	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50
		Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)		
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	1b.	43.97			46.50			44.14			44.87			42.08		
" rib ..	"	27.43			27.25			26.00			28.24			29.57		
" steak, rump ..	"	56.53			58.45			57.00			58.80			57.75		
" chuck ..	"	30.20			30.64			34.18			30.53			31.75		
" sausages ..	"	19.90			22.00			21.86			21.27			22.00		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	36.07			38.69			39.00			36.80			37.75		
" brisket ..	"	25.87			29.71			31.71			28.13			30.42		
Mutton, leg ..	"	20.60			22.24			28.57			25.11			27.00		
" forequarter ..	"	14.44			16.19			18.57			17.00			17.33		
" loin ..	"	23.57			24.57			33.57			26.89			28.50		
" chops, loin ..	"	23.57			25.14			35.86			26.89			29.17		
" leg ..	"	24.30			25.67			34.71			26.89			29.17		
Pork, leg ..	"	52.33			56.00			58.86			52.50			47.33		
" loin ..	"	52.60			54.29			58.86			52.50			48.67		
" chops ..	"	52.30			54.86			58.86			52.50			48.67		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

Prices.



**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED :  
QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

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PRICES.

Item.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 14.00	d. 14.00	d. 14 00	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.20	11.20	11.30	11.42	11.42	11.42	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.40	11.40	11.40
" self-raising ..	"	17.50	17.50	17 50	18.50	18.50	18 50	18.75	18.75	18.75	18 00	18 00	18 00	19.40	19.40	19.40
Tea ..	lb.	68.35	88.80	89 00	69.20	89.60	89.60	69.58	89.75	89.75	68.50	88.63	88.63	70.20	90.20	90.20
Sugar ..	"	9 00	9 00	9 00	9.47	9.48	9.48	9.64	9.64	9.64	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.63	9.63	9.67
Rice ..	"	12 00	11.95	12 00	12.60	12.60	12.60	12.75	12.75	12.75	12 00	12 00	12 00	13.60	13.60	13.60
Sago ..	"	14.13	12.63	12.63	13.40	13 00	13 00	14.30	13.70	13.70	12.50	12.50	12.50	13.80	13.60	13.60
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.30	27.30	27.40	27.20	27.20	27.20	26.17	26.17	26.17	27.63	27.63	27.63	28.70	28.70	28.70
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	19.00	18.90	19 00	19.90	19.90	19.90	21.00	21.00	21.00	19.50	19.50	19.50	21.70	21.70	21.70
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.40	9.40	9.40	9.75	9.75	9.75	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.00	9.25	9.25	10.00	10.00	10.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.28	29.50	29.28	30.80	30.00	30.00	30.13	30.13	30.13	29.50	29.50	29.50	31.10	30.90	30.90
Currants ..	"	22.63	22.63	22.69	23.00	23.00	23.00	22.70	22.70	22.70	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.75	23.75	23.75
Apricots, dried ..	"	60.56	60.58	60.42	58.75	58.75	58.75	59.50	59.50	59.50	59.25	59.25	59.50	58.25	58.25	58.25
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	33.65	33.50	33.20	34.00	34.00	34.00	34.25	34.25	34.25	33.00	33.00	33.00	36.40	36.40	36.40
Pears, canned ..	"	35.85	36.00	35.70	35.20	35.20	35.20	36.75	36.75	36.75	34.50	34.50	34.50	38.20	38.50	38.40
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	13.21	17.50	28.92	12.20	18.50	18.90	14.55	16.67	30.00	14.00	15.75	15.75	12.25	12.05	18.90
Onions, brown ..	lb.	6.33	7.00	8.60	6.40	6.40	9.00	6.75	7.33	9.00	6.38	7.00	9.00	6.20	6.75	6.75
Soap ..	"	18.11	18.11	18.11	18.45	18.41	18.45	18.75	18.75	18.88	17.97	17.97	17.97	19.12	19.12	19.12
Kerosene ..	quart	8.18	8.17	8.11	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.57	8.57	8.57	9.45	9.45	9.45
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	48.08	48.08	48.08	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.33	33.33	33.50	33.83	33.83	33.83	32.88	32.88	32.88	34.00	34.00	34.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	60.90	60.90	60.90	61.00	61.00	61.00	60.33	60.33	61.33	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	66.25	64.00	63.71	66.40	65.20	64.00	67.00	64.00	64.00	67.50	64.50	64.50	67.80	67.20	65.40
Milk, condensed ..	tin	22.15	22.45	22.45	23.70	23.70	23.70	23.08	23.08	23.08	22.25	22.25	22.25	23.60	23.70	23.70
" fresh ..	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.20	17.20	17.20	16.80	16.80	16.80
Quarterly Average Price(a)																
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	38.90			38.00			36.83			37.33			39.00		
" rib ..	"	33.63			33.14			32.55			32.53			34.20		
" steak, rump ..	"	50.43			48.67			48.57			48.93			49.60		
" chuck ..	"	32.50			34.00			32.71			32.67			33.60		
" sausages ..	"	19.79			20.50			20.14			20.13			21.40		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	37.82			37.72			37.45			37.60			39.00		
" brisket ..	"	27.77			30.33			30.86			30.33			30.00		
Mutton, leg ..	"	23.71			23.94			22.53			25.33			29.25		
" forequarter ..	"	14.57			15.34			15.07			15.27			18.75		
" loin ..	"	21.76			21.94			20.40			24.83			27.75		
" chops, loin ..	"	22.95			23.95			22.20			25.73			30.75		
" leg ..	"	25.67			24.61			22.20			25.73			30.75		
Pork, leg ..	"	49.22			50.17			48.13			48.80			49.00		
" loin ..	"	50.37			50.83			49.80			49.20			49.00		
" chops ..	"	51.20			51.17			50.20			50.33			51.00		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED :  
QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

Item.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00
" self-raising ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.79	10.79	10.79	11.10	11.10	11.10	10.10	10.10	10.10
Tea ..	lb.	17.20	17.20	17.20	18.75	18.75	18.75	20.43	20.43	20.14	20.20	20.20	20.20	19.70	19.70	19.70
Sugar ..	"	67.70	86.70	86.70	67.71	86.86	86.86	68.57	84.71	87.43	69.40	81.10	88.90	68.50	88.20	88.20
Rice ..	"	8.98	8.95	8.95	9.39	9.39	9.39	9.36	9.36	9.29	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.95	8.95	8.95
Sago ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.43	12.50	12.50	13.21	13.21	13.21	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.20	13.20	13.20
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	14.33	13.69	13.56	12.75	12.33	12.33	14.50	14.42	15.00	15.70	16.10	15.70	15.38	15.30	15.50
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	27.85	27.80	27.45	28.43	28.71	28.71	29.93	30.36	30.64	30.30	29.80	30.30	29.00	29.20	29.20
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	17.35	17.35	17.40	18.93	18.93	18.93	20.57	20.57	20.64	22.00	22.20	22.20	18.00	18.00	18.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	9.92	9.92	10.17	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.75	10.75	10.75
Currants ..	"	26.65	27.00	26.60	28.50	28.08	27.83	28.14	28.07	27.50	29.67	29.67	29.67	29.40	29.40	29.20
Apricots, dried ..	"	22.00	21.75	21.75	21.90	21.90	22.00	23.75	23.50	23.50	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.38
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	54.20	54.20	54.40	51.25	52.67	53.17	55.00	55.33	54.50	53.60	50.00	52.80	55.10	55.10	55.10
Pears, canned ..	"	36.30	36.05	36.05	36.86	36.86	36.86	37.71	37.43	37.36	37.40	37.40	37.40	37.80	37.80	38.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	37.95	37.80	37.60	39.21	39.21	39.21	39.21	38.64	38.79	38.30	38.30	38.30	39.80	39.80	40.30
Onions, brown ..	lb.	35.15	27.50	26.55	29.29	25.43	22.14	29.29	28.71	24.57	25.40	24.00	29.70	34.50	30.00	27.60
Soap ..	"	4.50	6.95	6.55	4.00	5.00	6.00	5.21	7.21	7.64	5.60	6.60	8.20	5.20	8.20	8.50
Kerosene ..	quart	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.19	18.19	18.19	18.14	18.14	18.09	18.20	18.20	18.20	18.06	18.06	18.06
Dairy Produce—	"	8.34	8.34	8.34	9.19	9.19	9.19	10.84	10.84	10.84	9.30	9.30	9.30	10.40	10.40	10.40
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.10	49.10	49.10	48.07	48.07	48.07	48.64	48.64	48.64	51.40	51.40	51.40	48.70	48.70	48.70
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.00	32.00	31.70	32.14	32.14	32.14	35.79	35.64	35.29	35.60	35.60	36.40	33.70	33.70	33.70
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	51.50	51.40	57.70	34.17	39.67	44.67	47.00	50.50	57.00	62.00	63.00	66.00	42.60	48.60	56.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	64.15	57.95	57.85	59.36	53.93	53.93	62.14	57.64	56.64	61.67	55.50	55.50	61.50	55.90	55.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.30	23.30	23.30	23.79	23.79	23.79	23.93	24.00	24.00	24.10	24.10	24.10	24.00	24.00	24.00
" fresh ..	quart	15.10	15.10	15.10	15.57	15.57	15.57	15.00	15.00	15.00	17.60	17.60	17.60	15.00	15.00	15.00
Quarterly Average Price(a)																
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.	34.23			35.00			33.33			33.33			35.00		
" rib ..	"	24.90			26.00			24.24			25.33			26.00		
" steak, rump ..	"	40.16			39.67			36.76			37.33			39.67		
" chuck ..	"	23.22			25.05			23.72			23.47			25.00		
" sausages ..	"	17.73			17.67			17.05			17.73			17.67		
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"	30.10			30.33			30.33			28.33			30.13		
" brisket ..	"	25.11			28.00			27.72			26.33			28.00		
Mutton, leg ..	"	21.10			22.00			21.00			22.40			22.60		
" forequarter ..	"	15.75			18.34			17.32			18.96			19.00		
" loin ..	"	19.43			21.43			20.43			22.08			21.60		
" chops, loin ..	"	21.94			23.00			22.00			23.37			23.20		
" leg ..	"	21.08			22.14			21.29			22.37			22.40		
Pork, leg ..	"	44.80			41.72			42.52			50.80			40.20		
" loin ..	"	43.53			41.29			42.24			48.50			39.80		
" chops ..	"	43.67			41.29			42.95			47.20			40.20		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

PRICES.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS  
SPECIFIED: QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

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Prices.

Item.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PIKE.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	13.00	13.00	13.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.14	10.14	10.14	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.75	10.75	10.75
" self-raising ..	"	16.45	16.45	16.45	18.29	18.29	18.14	18.36	18.36	18.36	17.10	17.10	17.10	18.75	18.75	18.75
Tea ..	lb.	69.00	89.00	89.00	69.57	89.57	89.57	69.79	89.93	89.93	70.50	90.40	90.40	70.00	90.00	90.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.50
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.71	12.71	12.71	12.93	12.93	12.93	13.40	13.40	13.40	13.00	13.00	13.00
Sago ..	"	13.10	13.15	13.15	13.93	14.50	14.50	15.07	15.07	15.07	16.20	16.80	16.80	15.00	14.75	14.75
Jam, plum ..	1 1/2 lb.	27.25	27.25	27.25	28.07	28.07	28.07	28.57	28.57	28.57	29.20	29.20	29.20	28.50	28.50	28.50
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.86	19.86	19.86	19.86	19.86	19.86	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50	20.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.68	9.68	9.68	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.57	10.57	10.57
Raisins, seeded ..	"	28.50	28.50	28.50	29.79	29.43	29.50	29.93	29.79	29.79	31.80	30.60	30.60	29.75	29.75	29.75
Currants ..	"	23.00	23.00	23.05	23.64	23.64	23.64	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.10	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.13	24.13
Apricots, dried ..	"	58.35	58.20	58.20	58.29	58.29	58.29	58.40	58.40	58.40	59.38	59.38	59.38	57.25	57.75	57.75
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	36.35	36.35	36.55	38.14	38.14	38.14	37.86	38.00	38.00	37.90	37.90	37.90	38.88	38.88	38.88
Pears, canned ..	"	37.35	37.35	37.35	38.86	38.86	38.86	38.43	38.43	38.43	38.50	38.60	38.70	39.00	39.00	39.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	14.48	25.00	29.29	19.60	29.27	40.17	17.50	27.14	36.00	16.33	14.00	17.88	17.88	19.00	30.63
Onions, brown ..	lb.	7.50	7.70	7.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	8.29	8.36	8.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	7.50	7.17	7.17
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	19.09	19.09	19.09	18.47	18.47	18.47	18.87	18.87	18.80	19.25	19.25	19.25
Kerosene ..	quart	7.74	7.76	7.76	8.38	8.32	8.30	8.88	8.88	8.88	8.79	8.79	8.79	8.78	8.78	8.78
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.50	49.50	50.29	50.29	50.29	50.50	50.50	50.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.50	32.50	32.50	33.71	33.57	33.57	33.50	33.50	33.50	32.25	32.25	32.25	33.63	33.63	33.63
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	46.05	43.55	43.55	34.60	31.83	31.50	34.67	32.00	34.00	36.60	34.20	34.00	34.00	31.33	31.33
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	65.55	65.45	65.45	67.71	67.43	67.50	68.58	67.92	67.58	68.90	68.90	68.70	68.25	68.00	68.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.35	23.35	23.35	24.14	24.14	24.14	24.00	24.07	24.07	24.20	24.20	24.20	24.38	24.38	24.38
" fresh ..	quart	15.50	15.50	15.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
Meat—		Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		32.00			31.09			32.36			31.00			32.00	
" rib ..	"		29.93			28.19			30.50			31.00			28.00	
" steak, rump ..	"		49.50			48.71			50.43			49.40			50.50	
" chuck ..	"		30.07			30.14			31.57			29.00			31.00	
" sausages ..	"		18.00			17.86			18.52			18.00			19.00	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		35.73			35.00			36.43			35.40			36.00	
" brisket ..	"		29.60			29.29			30.43			28.13			30.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		23.62			22.10			23.33			23.53			21.83	
" forequarter ..	"		12.30			12.04			13.81			12.87			11.67	
" loin ..	"		22.50			21.95			23.34			23.33			22.17	
" chops, loin ..	"		23.13			22.38			24.91			24.53			22.67	
" leg ..	"		23.27			22.38			24.91			24.53			22.67	
Pork, leg ..	"		51.27			39.86			46.00			45.50			42.00	
" loin ..	"		51.70			39.86			45.67			45.50			39.00	
" chops ..	"		52.03			40.71			49.00			47.25			42.00	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED : QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

Item.	Unit	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	13.50	14.00	14.00	14.50	15.00	15.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.00	15.00	15.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	11.90	11.90	11.90	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00
" self-raising ..	"	19.20	19.20	19.20	22.00	22.00	22.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.38	20.38	20.38	22.00	21.90	21.90
Tea ..	lb.	69.95	92.45	92.45	72.33	95.00	95.00	71.13	94.38	93.88	71.25	94.00	94.00	72.00	94.90	94.90
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.08	10.08	10.08	9.56	9.56	9.54	9.77	9.77	9.77	9.95	9.95	9.95
Rice ..	"	11.85	11.80	11.75	14.00	13.92	14.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.83	12.83	12.83	13.40	13.40	13.40
Sago ..	"	16.50	15.50	15.50	17.50	17.00	17.00	16.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.17	16.75	16.88	16.75
Jam, plum ..	½ lb.	31.80	31.85	31.85	34.83	34.83	34.83	33.38	33.38	33.38	33.88	33.88	33.63	34.80	34.80	34.80
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	19.85	19.85	19.85	23.42	23.33	23.42	21.63	21.63	21.63	21.75	21.75	21.75	22.90	22.90	22.90
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.25	9.25	9.25	13.00	13.00	13.00	10.75	10.75	10.75	11.17	11.17	11.17	13.00	13.00	13.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.08	30.08	30.08	34.50	34.50	34.00	32.25	32.25	32.25	34.50	34.50	34.50	32.75	32.75	32.75
Currants ..	"	24.00	23.90	23.90	26.42	26.42	26.42	25.00	24.88	24.50	25.13	25.13	25.13	26.60	26.60	26.60
Apricots, dried ..	"	62.43	61.00	61.00	62.67	62.67	62.33	61.83	61.83	61.83	62.50	62.50	62.50	66.50	68.00	68.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	39.15	39.15	39.20	45.75	45.33	45.33	43.25	43.25	43.13	42.83	42.83	43.83	45.00	45.00	45.00
Pears, canned ..	"	40.70	40.70	40.65	47.08	47.08	46.92	43.63	43.63	43.63	44.33	44.33	43.67	46.50	46.10	46.20
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	32.00	27.75	27.75	32.50	29.25	28.92	35.25	30.75	30.75	33.50	27.50	27.50	34.00	30.00	30.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.14	8.00	7.94	8.10	8.00	8.00	12.00	10.25	9.50	11.33	9.67	8.83	12.60	9.70	7.90
Soap ..	"	19.30	19.30	19.30	20.84	20.84	20.84	20.25	20.25	20.25	19.75	19.75	19.75	20.07	19.87	19.67
Kerosene ..	quart	13.05	13.05	13.05	16.38	16.38	16.38	15.04	14.92	14.92	14.66	14.66	14.66	15.89	15.89	15.89
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	49.60	52.00	52.00	52.00	51.00	51.00	51.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	52.00	52.00	52.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	37.00	37.00	37.00	39.50	39.50	39.50	38.50	38.50	38.50	39.00	39.00	39.00	38.50	38.50	38.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	53.80	54.00	54.00	53.50	51.83	54.83	55.00	55.00	55.00	54.50	54.75	54.75	54.40	54.40	54.40
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	68.33	66.75	66.13	70.33	68.92	68.67	67.17	66.67	66.67	69.67	67.50	67.50	70.40	68.80	68.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.35	23.35	23.35	25.50	25.50	25.50	24.13	24.13	24.13	24.50	24.50	24.50	25.50	25.50	25.50
" fresh ..	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	22.25	22.25	22.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Meat—		Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		38.15			36.29			38.00			38.40			37.00	
" rib ..	"		33.53			30.00			27.50			28.67			33.00	
" steak, rump ..	"		53.83			50.19			54.00			51.07			48.00	
" chuck ..	"		35.37			33.86			34.55			36.00			35.00	
" sausages ..	"		21.81			24.00			24.00			24.25			21.33	
Beef (corned—silver-side ..	"		36.93			36.29			38.67			37.60			37.33	
" brisket ..	"		29.90			30.00			31.55			31.60			33.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		27.26			29.57			29.67			32.00			27.78	
" forequarter ..	"		17.38			19.24			19.00			19.07			16.44	
" loin ..	"		27.16			27.57			26.67			27.53			22.55	
" chops, loin ..	"		27.53			27.86			27.33			28.67			22.44	
" leg ..	"		27.53			29.57			28.33			28.47			25.89	
Pork, leg ..	"		50.42			46.43			42.00			45.60			48.67	
" loin ..	"		50.59			45.57			40.00			44.30			48.67	
" chops ..	"		50.59			45.29			40.00			45.00			48.67	

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**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES<sup>(a)</sup> RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED:  
QUARTER ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1954.**

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PRICES.

Item.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>Groceries, &amp;c. —</b>		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	10.65	10.65	10.65	10.42	10.42	10.42	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
" self-raising ..	"	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.08	19.08	19.08	19.80	19.80	19.80	19.40	19.40	19.40	20.67	20.67	20.67
Tea ..	lb.	69.30	91.00	91.00	69.50	91.00	91.00	69.50	91.00	91.00	69.40	91.10	91.10	69.67	91.50	91.50
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.25	9.25	9.25
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.83	11.83	11.83	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.17	12.17	12.17
Sago ..	"	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.10	15.75	16.00	17.00	16.90	16.90	16.80	16.80	16.80	17.83	17.50	17.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	28.55	28.60	28.55	27.67	27.67	27.67	28.70	28.60	28.60	29.00	29.00	29.00	30.33	30.33	30.33
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	20.15	20.15	20.15	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.20	20.20	20.20	21.50	21.17	21.17
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	10.10	10.10	10.10	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.41	10.41	10.41
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.50	32.00	31.95	32.00	31.50	30.80	32.88	32.30	31.90	33.33	33.50	32.00	32.50	33.50	32.50
Currants ..	"	26.00	25.40	25.40	24.30	24.30	24.60	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.75	25.75	25.75	25.50	25.50	25.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	60.33	60.33	58.60	57.50	57.50	57.50	57.00	60.00	60.00	59.50	59.50	58.00	59.00	59.00	59.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	38.85	38.85	38.75	37.75	37.75	37.75	38.75	38.75	38.75	38.30	38.30	38.30	40.83	40.83	40.83
Pears, canned ..	"	42.05	41.75	42.05	40.42	40.42	40.42	42.38	42.38	42.38	41.80	41.70	41.00	47.67	47.00	47.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	21.70	21.35	43.26	15.17	15.17	26.61	14.56	14.56	25.40	14.16	14.93	26.57	17.50	16.50	35.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	10.00	10.33	12.14	9.67	9.67	12.33	9.38	9.38	12.25	9.50	9.50	12.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.40	18.40	18.40	18.67	18.67	18.67
Kerosene ..	quart	12.63	12.63	12.63	11.39	11.39	11.36	14.07	14.07	14.07	13.88	13.71	13.71	12.32	12.32	12.32
<b>Dairy Produce—</b>																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.91	32.33	32.97	35.83	33.50	33.50	34.27	34.27	34.27	34.40	34.40	34.40	33.94	33.94	33.94
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	80.39	57.39	57.44	60.08	57.08	57.08	60.50	57.50	57.50	60.38	57.38	57.38	62.00	59.00	59.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	67.50	67.50	67.80	68.50	68.00	68.00	68.40	68.40	68.40	68.25	68.25	68.25	69.25	69.25	69.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.60	23.60	23.60	24.00	24.00	24.00
" fresh ..	quart	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	21.00	21.00	21.00
<b>Meat—</b>		Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)			Quarterly Average Price(a)		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		41.13			39.72			40.25			38.60			41.00	
" rib ..	"		33.75			33.47			33.57			31.96			35.32	
" steak, rump ..	"		55.57			54.24			54.42			52.20			56.22	
" chuck ..	"		36.00			35.33			34.92			34.07			37.22	
" sausages ..	"		23.03			22.00			22.33			22.40			23.44	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		40.57			39.38			39.50			38.73			41.89	
" brisket ..	"		31.77			30.14			31.67			30.53			34.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		29.11			28.33			29.00			28.33			30.00	
" forequarter ..	"		15.26			15.57			16.00			15.00			18.56	
" loin ..	"		20.30			19.00			20.00			20.67			24.11	
" chops, loin ..	"		22.37			19.76			20.00			22.00			24.11	
" " leg ..	"		22.41			22.48			20.00			25.33			24.00	
Pork, leg ..	"		52.87			48.00			45.50			49.80			50.00	
" loin ..	"		52.63			48.48			44.50			43.20			49.67	
" chops ..	"		53.53			49.86			45.00			43.60			49.67	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

## WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX.

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used in this index have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials and one or two minor commodities however, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Group : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco.	Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.		
	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported. (a)	Goods principally Home Produced	Total All Groups.
1936-37 ..	96	99	118	99	111	99	99	97	99	98	98
1937-38 ..	101	101	100	100	97	104	102	100	102	100	101
1938-39 ..	103	100	82	101	92	97	99	103	99	102	101
1939-40 ..	105	115	104	107	116	108	109	101	111	103	105
1940-41 ..	107	137	111	124	126	128	122	107	133	106	114
1941-42 ..	117	151	118	137	135	135	133	117	153	112	124
1942-43 ..	129	167	147	142	138	163	149	128	176	121	137
1943-44 ..	131	170	150	143	140	174	153	129	182	122	140
1944-45 ..	131	168	152	143	140	175	152	131	182	123	141
1945-46 ..	130	156	152	142	140	177	149	135	178	126	141
1946-47 ..	132	145	191	140	131	180	149	138	177	129	143
1947-48 ..	146	161	283	148	126	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49 ..	185	173	342	159	130	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50 ..	214	184	434	187	143	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51 ..	256	196	641	242	202	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52 ..	343	220	577	314	293	379	321	281	288	305	300
1952-53 ..	392	234	607	350	224	404	350	294	292	331	320
1953-54 ..	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	313	271	343	321
1952-53—											
July ..	392	230	570	349	279	435	355	304	302	338	327
August ..	394	230	577	350	241	418	351	303	295	338	325
September ..	399	230	566	349	237	418	352	295	294	333	321
October ..	390	215	589	349	233	418	352	283	295	322	314
November ..	390	237	589	349	223	420	352	280	296	321	313
December ..	390	237	609	349	227	420	353	292	297	329	320
January ..	389	236	608	350	223	420	353	290	297	328	318
February ..	391	235	611	355	212	391	348	290	289	328	316
March ..	393	235	640	355	212	391	350	289	290	328	317
April ..	392	235	643	348	203	391	349	299	288	336	322
May ..	391	233	661	349	203	364	344	301	279	338	321
June ..	392	233	621	348	199	364	342	305	283	338	322
1953-54—											
July ..	391	225	583	329	198	365	336	315	275	346	325
August ..	389	226	581	329	198	365	335	336	275	360	335
September ..	389	226	576	329	199	364	335	331	276	357	333
October ..	389	226	576	327	198	364	334	325	273	353	329
November ..	388	223	574	327	197	365	333	311	270	342	321
December ..	388	223	561	327	192	365	332	304	269	337	317
January ..	384	223	564	327	190	365	331	305	271	336	317
February ..	384	221	546	317	187	365	328	306	269	336	316
March ..	389	222	545	317	183	365	330	304	269	335	316
April ..	390	217	553	316	186	359	328	306	266	337	316
May ..	390	217	563	316	184	359	329	306	266	333	316
June ..	384	218	569	316	182	358	327	308	267	337	316
1954-55—											
July ..	384	217	569	313	183	358	327	308	266	337	316
August ..	384	216	529	313	205	358	325	308	267	336	316
September ..	385	216	527	313	232	365	327	308	271	336	317
October ..	385	211	505	313	240	365	325	303	269	332	313
November ..	393	211	491	314	240	365	327	305	277	331	315
December ..	393	212	507	315	225	365	328	307	277	333	317

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally.

### FARM PRODUCTION PRICE INDEXES.

The annual indexes shown in the following table relate to average "prices" of farm products realized in the principal markets of Australia. The "price" data used are average unit values for the total quantities of the relevant commodities produced or marketed in each year and the indexes therefore measure both the effects of changes in prices (as such) and of variations in the quality, type, usage, &c., of products marketed. The indexes for any year relate to the average values of farm products produced or marketed in that year, irrespective of the periods in which payment is received by producers.

The indexes shown below are the Revised Series (December, 1952) in which average quantities of each product marketed in the period 1946-47 to 1950-51 have been used as fixed weights.

The preliminary indexes for 1953-54 and 1954-55 are based mainly on the recorded or estimated movement in average values for the major farm products. They will be reviewed from time to time as further "price" data becomes available.

(Base: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Year.			Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1936-37	..	..	114	115	93	109	126	104
1937-38	..	..	98	98	102	99	95	100
1938-39	..	..	88	87	105	92	79	96
1945-46	..	..	174	133	159	157	118	169
1946-47	..	..	194	182	157	185	187	185
1947-48	..	..	267	263	183	247	301	230
1948-49	..	..	234	313	197	260	366	225
1949-50	..	..	272	396	228	316	483	261
1950-51	..	..	291	818	258	505	1,098	308
1951-52	..	..	355	501	332	410	552	363
1952-53	..	..	364	531	387	440	623	379
1953-54(a)	..	..	374	536	393	429	621	365
1954-55(a)	..	..	333	508	368	415	537	374

(a) Preliminary estimate.

## EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

These index numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all exports. For some metals and for wheat (from July, 1945 to September, 1951), the index of prices is deduced from average value of current sales or shipments and hence shows some irregularity. From October, 1951, to July, 1953, the prices used for wheat are the estimated average realizations after weighting prices of quota and non-quota wheat. Prices adopted for months since August, 1953, are derived from available information of current sales.

## RECENT TRENDS.

Reference to the group indexes shows the great fluctuations and the wide dispersion of prices of export commodities in recent years. Since wool is a predominant export (and comprises 45.63 per cent. of the Base Aggregate of the index) fluctuations in wool prices obscure the movements affecting the other components in the All Groups Index. For purposes of comparison another column (All Groups excluding Wool) has been added to the table to show this movement separately.

## SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX: FIXED WEIGHTS.

In this index the prices of the commodities are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) during the three years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

(Base of each Section: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter	Metals. (a)	Meats. (b)	Sugar.	Dried Fruits. (c)	Tal- low.	Hides. (d)	Gold. (e)	All Groups.		
											Ex- clud- ing Gold.	Ex- clud- ing Wool.	Total All Groups.
Percentage Distribution of Base Aggregate	45.63 49.05	17.06 18.34	11.36 12.21	6.83 7.34	6.63 7.13	2.40 2.58	1.81 1.94	0.64 0.69	0.66 0.72	6.98 12.84	100.00 ..	.. 100.00	100.00 ..
1936-37 ..	122	123	92	120	98	104	103	122	113	99	116	108	115
1937-38 ..	99	111	107	96	106	92	103	100	100	98	102	105	102
1938-39 ..	79	66	101	84	96	104	94	78	87	103	82	87	88
1946-47 ..	173	305	173	308	189	264	152	361	334	122	209	228	203
1947-48 ..	287	420	193	372	146	320	157	436	364	122	296	280	283
1948-49 ..	365	413	233	478	171	343	162	499	421	122	348	305	332
1949-50 ..	473	400	250	421	196	369	176	400	479	164	399	308	383
1950-51 ..	999	432	271	689	209	410	226	356	752	176	690	365	654
1951-52 ..	564	436	291	811	263	464	302	451	486	184	495	397	473
1952-53 ..	616	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186	505	371	483
1953-54 ..	615 (j)	411	325	450	338	479 (j)	287	321	336	179 (j)	496 (j)	356 (j)	474
1952-53—													
January ..	618	454	313	509	321	501	300	298	391	189	509	376	486
February ..	626	454	313	475	321	501	300	295	375	186	510	371	487
March ..	656	454	313	463	321	501	290	298	364	185	523	369	500
April ..	671	454	313	418	321	501	290	284	344	185	527	363	503
May ..	701	454	313	407	321	501	290	252	352	184	541	361	516
June ..	641	454	313	429	321	500	290	249	326	181	513	363	490
1953-54—													
July ..	(i) 641	454	325	446	331	500	290	244	319	183	516	369	493
August ..	(i) 634	446	325	450	331	500	290	251	321	182	511	367	488
September ..	626	443	325	438	331	500	290	260	336	182	506	365	484
October ..	634	428	325	450	340	500	290	269	374	181	509	363	486
November ..	634	414	325	458	340	500	290	301	383	176	508	360	485
December ..	611	413	325	442	340	500	290	341	377	177	495	358	473
January ..	603	411	325	427	340	461	290	369	377	176	489	354	468
February ..	581	402	325	423	340	461	290	368	353	177	476	350	455
March ..	581	399	325	440	340	461 (j)	281	355	327	176 (j)	476 (j)	351 (j)	456
April ..	(i) 596	381	325	467	340	461 (j)	281	364	300	176 (j)	482 (j)	348 (j)	461
May ..	618	372	325	474	340	461 (j)	281	369	281	178 (j)	492 (j)	346 (j)	470
June ..	622 (j)	369	325	484	340	448 (j)	281	359	278	178 (j)	494 (j)	346 (j)	472
1954-55—													
July ..	(i) 622 (j)	359	313	475	340	448 (j)	278	354	264	178 (j)	490 (j)	338 (j)	463
August ..	566 (j)	358	313	475	340	448 (j)	262	350	254	178 (j)	461 (j)	338 (j)	442
September ..	566 (j)	355	313	498	340	448 (j)	261	350	224	178 (j)	462 (j)	339 (j)	442
October ..	536 (j)	356	313	524	340 (j)	468 (j)	260 (j)	350	216	178 (j)	450 (j)	344 (j)	431
November ..	513 (j)	358	313	518	340 (j)	468 (j)	261 (j)	350	204	179 (j)	439 (j)	345 (j)	421
December ..	532 (j)	359	313	512	385 (j)	468 (j)	263 (j)	350	197	178 (j)	451 (j)	348 (j)	432

(a) Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. (b) Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. (c) Sultanas, lemons, currants.  
 (d) Cattle hides, calf skins. (e) Where Australian gold has been sold on the overseas premium markets  
 such price has been used in the index. (f) For All Groups (Total)—applicable from 1936-37. (g) For  
 All Groups (excluding Gold)—applicable from 1936-37. (h) For All Groups (excluding Wool)—applicable  
 from 1936-37. (i) Nominal. (j) Preliminary.

NOTE.—The index numbers above indicate satisfactorily the trends of export prices, but take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling during each month. The impact of the price movements on current sales is indicated more directly by the Export Price Index (Changing Weights), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are the quantities actually exported in the months (or periods) to which the index numbers relate.



## Section XII.—Miscellaneous.

## COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

(Base of each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.					Retail Price Index Numbers.					Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (c)
					Food and Grocer- ies.	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	Total "C" Series Retail Price Index.		
Year—											
1911	..	..	..	..	1,000	1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	1,000	1,000
1914	..	..	..	..	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948
1921	..	..	..	..	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087
1928	..	..	..	..	1,761	1,743	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172
1932	..	..	..	..	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190
1938	..	..	..	..	1,584	1,540	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209
1939	..	..	..	..	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,210
1945					1,849	1,595	2,155	1,767	1,868	2,339	1,252
1946	..	..	..	..	1,852	1,596	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263
1947	..	..	..	..	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318
1948	..	..	..	..	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357
1949	..	..	..	..	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367
1950					2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389
1951	..	..	..	..	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,495	1,439
1952	..	..	..	..	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980	3,645	5,241	1,438
1953	..	..	..	..	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126	3,820	5,539	1,450
1954	..	..	..	..	4,776	1,949	4,865	3,139	3,860	5,632	1,459
Quarter—											
1939.											
March	..	..	..	..	1,673	1,568	1,258	1,461	1,524	1,826	1,198
June	..	..	..	..	1,654	1,575	1,264	1,461	1,522	1,847	1,214
September	..	..	..	..	1,645	1,582	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220
December	..	..	..	..	1,657	1,584	1,297	1,472	1,536	1,858	1,210
1947.											
September	..	..	..	..	1,974	1,597	2,367	1,846	1,978	2,630	1,330
December	..	..	..	..	2,035	1,598	2,478	1,853	2,026	2,690	1,328
1948.											
March	..	..	..	..	2,128	1,599	2,511	1,874	2,071	2,781	1,343
June	..	..	..	..	2,197	1,600	2,600	1,900	2,121	2,854	1,346
September	..	..	..	..	2,278	1,601	2,688	1,935	2,175	2,970	1,366
December	..	..	..	..	2,378	1,602	2,748	1,944	2,225	3,050	1,371
1949.											
March	..	..	..	..	2,433	1,603	2,795	1,985	2,263	3,099	1,369
June	..	..	..	..	2,482	1,604	2,968	2,017	2,328	3,182	1,367
September	..	..	..	..	2,497	1,606	3,089	2,047	2,370	3,249	1,371
December	..	..	..	..	2,555	1,608	3,223	2,098	2,433	3,310	1,360
1950.											
March	..	..	..	..	2,633	1,609	3,259	2,134	2,474	3,372	1,363
June	..	..	..	..	2,718	1,611	3,418	2,151	2,546	3,458	1,358
September	..	..	..	..	2,828	1,614	3,501	2,180	2,609	3,545	1,359
December	..	..	..	..	3,020	1,618	3,643	2,271	2,726	4,009	1,471
1951.											
March	..	..	..	..	3,201	1,641	3,760	2,381	2,843	4,142	1,457
June	..	..	..	..	3,443	1,646	4,151	2,498	3,042	4,387	1,442
September	..	..	..	..	3,819	1,651	4,283	2,611	3,224	4,601	1,427
December	..	..	..	..	4,133	1,656	4,429	2,731	3,388	4,850	1,432
1952.											
March	..	..	..	..	4,298	1,672	4,523	2,783	3,481	5,036	1,447
June	..	..	..	..	4,589	1,702	4,685	2,967	3,661	5,156	1,408
September	..	..	..	..	4,633	1,750	4,709	3,072	3,714	5,345	1,439
December	..	..	..	..	4,544	1,789	4,712	3,098	3,722	5,428	1,458
1953.											
March	..	..	..	..	4,599	1,835	4,838	3,118	3,763	5,443	1,446
June	..	..	..	..	4,658	1,857	4,906	3,122	3,805	5,512	1,449
September	..	..	..	..	4,804	1,870	4,880	3,127	3,851	5,591	1,452
December	..	..	..	..	4,831	1,882	4,863	3,136	3,861	5,611	1,453
1954.											
March	..	..	..	..	4,798	1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	5,622	1,456
June	..	..	..	..	4,774	1,917	4,856	3,137	3,856	5,614	1,459
September	..	..	..	..	4,746	1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	5,623	1,460
December	..	..	..	..	4,787	1,977	4,870	3,136	3,871	5,658	1,462

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) See note (b) on page 104. (c) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (d) Taken back from true base November, 1914 = 1,000 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA.

NOTE.—(1) In most cases where figures are available back to 1861, these were shown in the September, 1953 issue of the *Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics*, pages 112 and 113.

(2) Most of the statistics in this summary relate to the periods shown in the table headings. In those comparatively few cases where the statistics relate to other periods, this is indicated in footnotes.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
<b>DEMOGRAPHY(a)—</b>								
Population(b) { '000 Males ..	1,737	2,005	2,382	2,799	3,333	3,599	4,318	4,503
'000 Females ..	1,504	1,820	2,192	2,712	3,220	3,545	4,221	4,400
'000 Persons ..	3,241	3,825	4,574	5,511	6,553	7,144	8,539	8,903
Net Oversea Migration '000	26.9	3.0	74.4	17.5	-10.1	5.2	111.4	42.9
Marriages .. { '000	24	23	39	47	39	75	77	71
Rate(c)	7.5	7.3	8.8	8.6	6.0	10.6	9.2	8.0
Divorces(d) and Judicial Separations ..	190	399	522	1,502	1,955	3,380	7,327	8,041
Births .. { '000	110	103	122	136	119	135	193	202
Rate(c)	34.5	27.2	27.2	25.0	18.2	18.9	22.9	22.9
Deaths .. { '000	47	46	48	54	57	71	82	80
Rate(c)	14.8	12.2	10.7	9.9	8.7	10.0	9.7	9.1
Infant Deaths { '000	12.7	10.7	8.4	9.0	5.0	5.3	4.9	4.7
Rate(e)	115.3	103.6	68.5	65.7	42.1	39.7	25.2	23.3
<b>WAGES (ADULT MALES) (a)—</b>								
Nominal Weekly Wage Index Numbers ..	(f)	848	1,000	1,826	1,752	1,997	4,495	5,539
Real Wage Index Numbers(g) ..	(f)	(f)	1,000	1,087	1,210	1,194	1,439	1,450
<b>PRODUCTION—</b>								
<b>Agricultural—</b>								
Wheat .. { Area mill. acs.	3.3	5.1	7.4	9.7	14.7	12.0	10.4	10.8
Yield mill. bus.	26	39	72	129	191	167	160	198
Av. Yield bus.	7.7	7.5	9.6	13.3	12.9	13.9	15.4	18.4
Oats .. { Area '000 acs.	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	2,365	2,137
Yield mill. bus.	5.7	9.8	9.6	12.1	15.2	22.3	34.5	33.0
Av. Yield bus.	23.3	21.2	15.5	16.6	14.0	15.3	14.6	15.4
Barley .. { Area '000 acs.	68	75	116	209	342	784	1,118	1,803
Yield mill. bus.	1.2	1.5	2.1	6.1	6.3	18.0	21.9	41.3
Av. Yield bus.	17.3	20.4	17.7	20.4	18.4	23.0	19.6	23.0
Maize .. { Area '000 acs.	284	295	340	305	269	301	170	(h) 180
Yield mill. bus.	9.3	7.0	8.9	7.8	7.1	7.4	4.0	5.0
Av. Yield bus.	32.6	23.9	26.3	25.7	26.2	24.7	23.7	28.0
Hay .. { Area '000 acs.	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	1,549	1,935
Yield '000 tons	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	2,345	3,049
Av. Yield tons	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.51	1.58
Potatoes { Area '000 acs.	113	110	130	149	145	99	118	(h) 128
Yield '000 tons	380	323	301	388	397	333	509	(h) 475
Av. Yield tons	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	4.31	4.27
Sugar-cane { Area(i) '000 acs.	45	87	101	128	242	255	282	340
Yield '000 tons	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	5,327	9,014
Av. Yield tons	16.2	15.7	16.7	19.0	17.4	20.3	18.9	26.5
Vineyards { Area '000 acs.	49	64	61	92	113	130	136	138
Wine mill. gals.	3.4	5.3	5.0	8.5	14.2	16.0	35.3	(h) 31.0
Total Area of Crops mill. acs.	5.4	8.4	12.1	15.4	21.2	20.5	19.8	(h) 21.1
<b>Pastoral, Dairying, &amp;c.—</b>								
Livestock .. { Horses mill.	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.4	1.8	1.6	0.9	0.8
Cattle ..	11.1	8.5	11.8	14.4	12.3	13.6	14.9	15.6
Sheep ..	106	72	97	86	111	125	118	127
Pigs ..	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.0	1.2
Wool(j) .. { .. mill. lb.	(a) 634	(a) 539	(a) 798	723	1,007	1,167	1,080	1,245
Butter .. { '000 tons	(a) 19	(a) 46	(a) 95	(a) 119	175	168	135	160
Cheese .. { .. .. "	(a) 4.5	(a) 5.3	(a) 7.1	(a) 14.6	14.0	30.1	40.6	49.2
Meat(k)—								
Beef and Veal .. ..					339	350	534	704
Mutton and Lamb .. ..	(f)	(f)	(f)		218	307	372	365
Pork .. ..					11.1	22.7	58.1	(h) 34.4
Bacon and Ham .. ..	(a) 7.5	(a) 15.2	(a) 23.8	26.2	31.8	42.5	36.6	(h) 36.7
Total Meat .. ..	(f)	(f)	(f)	608	727	1,027	949	1,153

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) At 31st December of previous year. (c) Number per 1,000 of mean population. (d) Decrees made absolute, including decrees for nullity of marriage. (e) Number per 1,000 live births. (f) Not available. (g) Index of nominal weekly wage rates for adult males divided by the "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (h) Subject to revision. (i) Productive cane. (j) In terms of greasy. (k) Bone-in weight in terms of fresh meat; cured weight, bacon and ham.

## Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 115.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
<b>PRODUCTION—continued.</b>								
Mineral(a)(b)—								
Copper(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	13.5	20.9	17.9	36.6
Gold(c) .. '000 fine oz.	1,243	3,300	2,484	758	595	1,497	896	1,075
Lead(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	150.8	289.4	212.0	269.3
Zinc(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	66.1	232.6	189.2	239.3
Black Coal .. mill. tons.	4.4	6.9	10.6	12.8	8.4	14.2	17.6	18.4
Brown Coal .. " "	..	..	(e)	0.1	2.2	4.6	7.8	8.3
Forestry—								
Sawn output of native timber mill. sup. ft.	(d)	(a) 452	(a) 605	590	237	914	1,393	1,406
Factories—								
Number of factories '000								
Persons employed ..	(f)	(f)	{ 14.5	18.0	21.7	27.0	45.8	(g)
Salaries and wages paid £m.			{ 312	379	337	725	978	(g)
Net value of production—			{ 28	68	56	180	612	(g)
Chemicals, &c. .. £m.			{ 1.1	3.2	7.9	24.8	63.7	(g)
Industrial metals, &c. ..			{ 12.0	23.6	22.8	119.9	413.0	(g)
Textiles, &c. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 7.5	19.2	{ 6.9	21.0	56.6	(g)
Clothing ..					{ 11.1	23.6	81.1	(g)
Food, &c. ..			{ 11.8	27.2	28.7	53.2	141.1	(g)
Paper, &c. ..			{ 4.2	9.0	9.6	17.1	68.2	(g)
All groups ..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5	111.0	316.5	1,024.0	(g)
Value of plant & machinery ..	(d)	(d)	{ 31.4	78.1	121.5	169.2	412.5	(g)
Value of land and buildings ..			{ 32.5	67.3	106.6	156.3	360.2	(g)
Net Value of production(h)—								
Agriculture .. £m.	17.0	23.8	38.8	81.9	49.7	64.0	246.7	(g)
Pastoral ..	31.3	27.2	52.7	75.1	43.0	85.4	400.5	(f)
Dairying ..	6.0	7.6	16.1	35.3	22.6	34.3	103.8	(g)
Poultry ..	1.9	2.0	4.0	9.0	5.7	6.5	31.5	(g)
Bee-farming ..	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.8	(g)
Total, Rural ..	56.3	60.7	111.7	201.4	121.1	190.6	783.3	(g)
Trapping ..	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	1.5	5.0	6.7	(g)
Forestry ..			{ 4.8	9.1	3.9	10.2	37.9	(g)
Fisheries ..	4.4	2.8	{ 1.1	1.4	1.4	1.8	5.7	(g)
Mines and Quarries(i)	12.1	22.0	23.3	20.0	13.5	33.4	97.2	(g)
Total, Non-rural ..	16.5	24.8	29.2	30.5	20.3	50.4	147.5	(g)
Total, Primary ..	72.8	85.5	140.9	231.9	141.4	241.0	930.8	(g)
Factories ..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5	111.0	316.5	1,024.0	(g)
Total, All Industries	96.1	114.6	188.4	344.4	252.4	557.5	1,954.8	(g)
<b>BUILDING(j)—</b>								
Permits, New Dwellings { '000								
Permits, All Buildings(k) { £m.	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	{ 2.1	9.7	32.8	32.0
					{ 1.5	9.6	80.4	93.0
					{ 4.6	13.5	116.4	148.3
<b>OVERSEA TRADE—</b>								
Imports .. £m. f.o.b.	(a) 34	(a) 38	(a) 61	94	52	174	1,053	682
Exports .. " "	36	50	79	128	108	169	675	828
Principal Exports(l)—								
Wool .. mill. lb.(m)	641	529	734	946	903	938	1,036	1,168
Wheat .. '000 tons	20	15	26	48	32	58	323	410
Flour .. '000 short tons	1.9	2.8	9.6	28.6	19.2	4.6	55.3	31.0
Butter .. '000 lb.	0.3	0.6	1.4	5.5	3.8	4.2	33.0	29.7
Hides and Skins .. £m. f.o.b.	0.2	1.4	4.6	8.0	10.3	8.1	4.6	16.1
Meats .. " "	0.9	1.3	3.2	3.1	2.3	6.0	17.1	19.4
Fruit(n) .. " "	0.5	2.6	4.3	5.5	6.4	14.1	35.5	57.8
Sugar .. " "	..	0.2	0.5	3.0	4.8	4.0	19.5	32.4
Gold .. " "	5.7	14.3	12.0	3.5	11.9	9.2	7.0	13.8
Silver and Lead .. " "	1.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	2.9	7.4	32.1	31.0
Ores and Concentrates, .. " "	..	(e)	3.7	0.8	0.2	1.3	20.4	9.3

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Breaks in the continuity of the series occurred in 1931 and 1951. (c) Mine production; i.e., metal content of minerals produced. (d) Not available. (e) Less than .05. (f) Owing to variation in classification, effective comparison is impossible. (g) Not yet available. (h) Gross value from 1891 to 1921-22. Prior to 1922 figures are for years ended previous December. (i) Incomplete. (j) Six capital cities and suburbs. (k) Includes additions and alterations. (l) Australian produce except gold, which includes re-exports. (m) In terms of greasy. (n) Excludes fruit juices.

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NOTE.—See headnotes on page 115.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
<b>OVERSEA TRADE—continued.</b>								
Principal Imports—		(a)	(a)					
Vegetable foodstuffs,								
&c. . . . . £m. f.o.b.		{	{					
Apparel, &c. . . . .		3.6	3.7	4.0	2.6	6.1	25.0	25.7
Oil, &c. . . . .		10.9	16.2	31.0	15.4	32.7	203.6	113.8
Metals, &c. . . . .		1.2	1.6	4.7	5.5	16.2	87.5	83.4
Rubber, &c. . . . .		7.8	14.0	22.8	7.4	71.8	392.9	252.1
Paper, &c. . . . .		0.5	1.4	1.7	0.8	3.2	35.1	11.7
		1.6	2.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	68.8	34.1
<b>TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION—</b>								
Shipping—	(a)	(a)	(a)					
Oversea Vessels, } No.	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,111	3,057	2,544	4,136	4,128
Entrances and } mill. tons	4.7	6.5	10.0	9.1	11.4	10.8	18.2	17.7
Clearances								
Oversea Cargo—								
Discharged } mill. tons(c)			(b)	2.4	3.0	5.5	14.4	11.3
Shipped } " " (c)			(b)	5.8	6.7	4.2	5.7	7.1
Interstate Vessels, } No.			9,605	9,782	7,957	9,100	7,524	9,522
Entrances and } mill. tons		(b)	13.1	12.8	11.1	12.9	15.8	19.2
Clearances								
Interstate Cargo Shipped } mill. tons(c)			(b)	5.5	4.0	10.0	9.0	10.6
Government Railways—	(d)	(d)	(d)					
Route-miles . . '000	10.4	12.8	16.8	23.5	27.0	27.2	26.8	26.6
Passenger-journeys } mill.	84	115	228	335	303	475	501	511
Goods and livestock carried								
Train-miles run . . '000 tons	9.4	15.5	25.5	31.5	26.1	38.9	44.8	47.8
Tramways and Omnibuses—	29.7	38.2	55.2	56.1	63.8	88.5	93.4	93.5
Passenger-journeys—								
Trams . . . . . mill.		(b)	{ 360	569	589	874	686	630
Omnibuses . . . . .		(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	264	555	565
Motor vehicles on the register—								
Cars . . . . . '000			(b)	102	{ 420	451	1,032	1,200
Commercial vehicles . .					96	251	583	605
Civil Aviation(e)—								
Plane-miles flown . . mill.					2.5	7.8	41.8	41.0
Passengers carried . . '000					57	152	1,829	1,772
Passenger-miles . . mill.					(b)	76	722	702
Freight car- } '000 short tons					0.1	1.2	57.5	69.5
ried } '000 ton-miles					(b)	0.9	26.7	32.7
Postal—	(a)	(a)	(a)					
Postal matter dealt with(f)								
mill. articles	242	324	595	702	(g) 871	g 1,100	g 1,485	g 1,569
Telegrams and cablegrams mill.	10.0	9.9	13.3	16.8	13.9	26.1	29.8	25.1
Telephones—								
Instruments . . . '000	7	29	103	259	485	739	1,301	1,475
Lines . . . . .	(b)	25	85	196	364	531	927	1,050
Calls—Trunk . . . mill.	(b)	(b)	(b)	14.0	28.9	45.3	69.4	81.8
Local . . . . .	(b)	(b)	(b)	221	369	664	968	1,032
Broadcast Listeners' Licences								
'000	..	..	..	(h) 36	369	1,320	1,961	2,042
<b>PUBLIC FINANCE—</b>								
Commonwealth—								
Consolidated Revenue Fund—		(d)	(d)					
Revenue . . . . . £m.	..	11	21	64	72	210	1,017	1,023
Expenditure . . . . .	..	4	15	64	70	210	1,017	967
Net loan fund expenditure . .	..	..	1	5	4	213	55	69
Taxation collections . . . . .	..	9	16	50	54	180	934	900
State—								
Consolidated Revenue Funds—								
Revenue . . . . . £m.	(b)	28	41	85	100	152	387	468
Expenditure . . . . .	(b)	29	41	87	121	149	390	465
Net loan expenditure(t) . .	(b)	9	16	34	6	8	198	167
Taxation collections . . . . .	(b)	3	5	18	33	57	63	80
Public Debt(j)—								
Commonwealth . . . . . £m.	..	..	6	354	319	638	1,869	1,918
State . . . . .	a155.1	213	279	519	789	911	1,396	1,689
Total . . . . .	a155.1	213	285	873	1,108	1,549	3,265	3,607
Overseas . . . . .	(b)	(b)	194	412	522	516	406	421
In Australia . . . . .	(b)	(b)	91	461	586	1,033	2,859	3,186

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Not available. (c) Tons weight plus tons measurement. (d) Year ended 30th June. (e) Regular internal services. (f) Letters, postcards, letter-cards and newspapers. (g) Includes packets. (h) Year 1923-24. (i) Loan expenditure on works, services, &c. (j) At 30th June.



## Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 115.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
PRIVATE FINANCE—								
Commonwealth Note Issue(a) £m.	(b)	(b)	8	54	51	103	303	344
Cheque-paying Banks—								
Advances(c) .. ..	(d) 125	94	109	183	261	270	677	695
Deposits(e) .. ..	(d) 98	91	143	289	319	387	1,189	1,326
Bank clearings .. ..	(b)	338	662	1,702	1,581	2,828	12,160	11,740
Savings bank deposits(e) ..	15	31	59	154	198	274	892	1,010
Life Assurance(d)(f)—								
Ordinary—								
Policies .. '000	}	414	484	730	871	1,340	2,553	2,893
Sum assured .. £m.		108	109	181	285	463	1,212	1,553
Industrial—								
Policies .. '000		236	467	973	1,550	2,780	3,843	3,881
Sum assured .. £m.	(b)	5	10	30	67	127	254	286
Total—								
Policies .. '000		650	951	1,703	2,421	4,120	6,396	6,774
Sum assured .. £m.		113	119	211	352	590	1,466	1,839
SOCIAL STATISTICS—								
Commonwealth Social Services—								
Age and Invalid Pen- sions .. '000(g)	..	..	90	144	256	336	420	472
Child Endowment, Claims in force .. £m.	..	..	2.2	5.4	11.1	19.3	59.8	81.3
Total Commonwealth Health and Social Services(h) £m.	..	..	2.2	6.1	11.5	30.9	137.6	176.6
War Pensions .. '000(g)	..	..	..	225	274	220	525	564
Service Pensions .. '000(g)	..	..	..	7.0	7.4	7.5	31.8	36.8
State Social Services(i)—	..	..	..	..	..	14	17	21
Education(d)—	..	..	..	..	..	0.6	1.8	2.7
Government Schools—								
Schools .. '000	6.2	7.0	8.0	9.4	10.1	9.5	7.6	(j)
Staff .. ..	12.6	14.5	17.0	26.1	33.8	32.1	36.7	(j)
Students .. ..	561	638	639	819	937	887	1,013	(j)
Non-Government Schools—								
Schools .. '000	2.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9	(j)
Staff .. ..	6.0	8.3	7.8	8.8	10.0	11.4	13.3	(j)
Students .. ..	125	149	161	199	221	257	326	(j)
Universities(k)—								
Number .. ..	4	4	5	6	6	8	9	(j)
Staff(l) .. ..	(b)	(b)	249	482	703	1,416	3,082	(j)
Students .. '000	1.6	1.8	3.4	8.0	9.8	13.9	31.7	(j)
Public Hospitals—								
Number .. ..	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)			
Staff—Medical .. '000	(b)	285	355	404	513	566	675	(j)
Nursing .. ..	(b)	(b)	1.1	1.5	3.2	3.9	6.9	(j)
In-patients, cases treated ..	(mn) 54	(n) 91	134	215	371	595	896	(j)
POLICE AND PRISONS(d)—								
Police .. ..	'000	5.3	5.8	6.4	6.9	8.6	9.7	12.3
Prisons .. ..	(b)	(b)	104	91	85	70	69	(j)
Prisoners .. ..	'000	(b)	4.3	3.1	2.9	4.2	4.4	(j)
PRICES(d)—								
"C" Series Retail Price Index...	..	..	1,000	1,680	1,448	1,673	3,124	3,820

(a) At end of June. (b) Not available. (c) Figures for 1891 are averages of weekly balances for the December quarter; the remainder are for the June quarter. All Cheque-paying Banks to 1931–32, Private Trading Banks thereafter. (d) Year ended previous December. (e) 1891 at 31st December, thereafter at 30th June. (f) Existing business in Australia. (g) At 30th June. (h) Excludes war and service pensions. (i) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (j) Not yet available. (k) Excludes Australian National University. (l) Includes part-time. (m) Year 1891–92 for Victoria. (n) Adelaide Hospital only included in South Australia.